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## Local FDs' stickers prevent shock

By ALISON ALOISIO  
Recent ordinances in several area towns require new homes to have an outside electrical shut-off switch. If the house burns, the switch allows firefighters to cut off electricity without going inside. By shutting it off, the dangers of spraying water onto electrical equipment are eliminated. In the case of an electrical fire, the source is neutralized. And in the event of a propane leak, power to the propane system can also be cut from a safe distance. But even as the switches are going into new construction, a recent home improvement trend poses a new electrical threat.

## Northern Oxford Mutual Aid earns Best Practices Award from Maine Fire Safety Commission.

More homeowners are installing an "instant-on" back-up generator system. And that can put firefighters back to square one.

For example, a year ago the Newry Fire Department was called to an electrical fire in a subdivision.

"We got there and shut off the outside shut-off switch, and found out a couple of minutes later that there was a propane generator running out back," said Chief Bruce Pierce. "We never heard it start up, and we didn't know it was there."

At the next meeting of the NFD, Pierce had an idea to deal with the problem.

"We should have something, a sticker, that lets the fire department know there is a generator hooked up," he said.

The firefighters agreed, and proposed it at the next gathering of NOMA (Northern Oxford Mutual Aid), a regional organization of fire departments.

"They were enthused, and we worked on refining it," said Pierce.

The result: an orange reflective sticker that says: "Dan-

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## Thumbs up for tune up



IT'S JUST PRACTICE—To tune up their firefighting skills, the Andover and Mexico fire departments recently burned the home of the late Arthur Cole on the East B Hill Road in Andover. Here, a Mexico firefighter in full SCBA gear gives the thumbs up from inside the burning building. (Photo: Paula Lee)

## Summer visitor to Albany is Maine's Cherry Blossom Princess for 2010

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Maine's princess at this year's National Cherry Blossom Festival is a big fan of Albany Township blueberries.

For almost 50 years Amanda Jagusiak's family has been summering at their camp in Albany. The camp, Amanda said, "is surrounded by blueberry bushes. There's always a cup of blueberries in the kitchen, and we make blueberry pancakes almost every

morning."

While her family is here, Amanda said, she also enjoys swimming, paddle-boating and hiking—the sort of activities that are a little harder to come by in their year-round home of Alexandria, Va.

It is on the basis of her summertime connection to Maine that Amanda is representing the state this week in Washington, D.C.

Last year there was no prin-

cess from Maine, and that's something Amanda hopes to change.

"There's no reason there shouldn't be 100 applicants from Maine, who would love to come down here and have this experience," she said.

Amanda's father is a retired federal agent and attorney, currently working in Iraq under an 18-month contract to the U.S. Military.

He hopes to be back in Maine this year.

"Last year was only the second since my childhood that I did not get to our camp," Andrew Jagusiak said, by e-mail from Iraq.

He and Amanda already have plans for what they'll do on his return.

"When he gets home from his tour, we hope to travel in Maine," Amanda said, "and get the Princess program go-

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## Where the pupils are Enrollment numbers laid out for SAD44 elementary schools

By ALISON ALOISIO

SAD 44 enrollments for K-12 and adult education have come under scrutiny as the School Board continues to wrestle with budget cuts.

Parents of Woodstock and Andover pupils have expressed concern about the consequences if their schools were to be closed beginning in the 2011-2012 school year.

They said if their children are placed in larger classes at the Crescent Park School, their education could suffer.

At a recent School Board meeting, Supt. Dave Murphy presented figures from last fall on class sizes at all three elementary schools.

At AES (where two grades are in each classroom), class sizes are: Grades K-1, 15; Grades 2-3, 9; Grades 4-5, 9.

At WES: Kindergarten, 11; Grade 1, 18; Grade 2, 12; Grade 3, 12; Grade 4, 14; Grade 5, 15.

At CPS, the following class sizes are an approximate average of the total pupils per grade divided by the number of classrooms per grade: Kindergarten, 17; Grade 1, 16; Grade 2, 17; Grade 3, 18; Grade 4, 21; Grade 5, 16.

If WES closed, said Murphy, up to four teachers would be sent to CPS, and he anticipated a slight increase in class sizes.

He said that current SAD 44 class sizes are "very competitive at the elementary level" compared to the rest of the state.

A two-thirds vote of the School Board—by both individual directors (there are 17) and weighted votes of those directors (for a total of at least 667 votes)—would be required to close the schools.

For example, according to the current distribution of votes, Andover and Woodstock directors voting together could prevent closure of their schools.

### Adult Education

The last board meeting, held March 22, saw another large turnout of parents, staff and town officials, prompting further comment and discussion about alternative measures to trim the school budget.

In response to a letter read aloud by Bethel resident Rick Whitney (see March 25 Citizen) suggesting that Adult Education be eliminated, Murphy presented recent enrollment figures for the program.

Overall enrollments were, by season: summer, 82; fall, 444; winter, 257; spring, 228.

Adult education offerings include GED diploma classes, ITV college classes, Central

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## Committee's efforts seen as factor in lowering dropout rate at Telstar

By EILEEN ADAMS  
Sun Media Group

A joint effort by staff, parents, students and members of the community has changed Telstar High School from having one of the highest dropout rates in the state nine years ago, to having one of the lower rates now.

And according to state Department of Education figures released Tuesday, Telstar High School has made more progress toward meeting state standards than nearly any other high school in the state.

"We have a very active drop-out committee and Student Assistance Team," said SAD 44 Superintendent David Murphy, who added that the school put several new measures in place soon after the 8.6 percent dropout rate was reported for school year 2000-01. The rate for school year 2008-09 had dropped to 3.4 percent.

The school also has several other programs, including the adult education program headed by Director Jeanie Waite, that work closely with the secondary school.

The goal, said Waite and Principal Dan Hart, is to get students to connect to the school, or something offered at the school that engages them.

The Dropout Committee, which began about 15 years ago, comprises staff and com-

munity members and meets at least annually to identify issues that may be facing students. The process begins in the third grade.

The Student Assistance Team, which began about three years ago, meets monthly to discuss students at risk. The child's parent will be called in for further discussion, then a mentor from within the school is assigned to the student. Right now, 50 high school students have mentors, Hart said.

"We look at the student holistically, not just academics," Waite said.

In her program, students can get a second chance to pass a course they didn't pass previously by enrolling in credit recovery, a program whereby a partnership is developed between the student and the school, complete with contract, so that the course may be taken again.

Hart said other innovations, most developed recently, also attempting to connect with students, include a school-to-work program where some students learn skills by working in the community while attending classes, a community service requirement, growing enrollment in one of the many Region 9 vocational programs, and a chance to take community college

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## Letters

### GETTING OUR MONEY'S WORTH?

#### To the Editor:

I have been following the recent SAD44 budget concerns. I feel that there are some hard questions that need to be answered before the voters have a budget to vote on. Recent newspaper articles and news reports have prompted these questions.

One article gave the dropout statistics for area schools. The Telstar dropout rate is above both the county and state average. Another article gives the current budget at \$9.6 million, serving 900 students. This is an average of just over \$10,600 per student. A news report stated that statewide 1 out of 5 students live in a household below the poverty level. Will tax increases raise this figure?

My questions are as follows: Why is the dropout rate at Telstar so high? Where does the cost per student ratio rank statewide? Where do the SAT scores at Telstar rank statewide? What percentage of graduates from Telstar go on to further education, and how does this compare on a statewide level? What is the administration cost of SAD44 compared to the rest of the school systems in the state? How will the taxpayers of SAD44 come up with additional money to fund any budget increase?

Just because some of us balk at the budget does not mean that we are anti-education. We just want good results for our investment. The answers to these questions might help us see what our return is. Many of us have had to tighten our wallets and make hard cuts in our spending. There are fewer jobs in this district than a year ago, and a good many people have had their hours per week or their salaries cut so that they can still have a job.

My final question is this — Are we getting a bang or a pop for our buck?

Ray N. Cooley  
Bethel

### YARD SALE TO BENEFIT BHS

#### To the Editor:

Spring is here and that means spring cleaning. Once again the Bethel Historical Society will hold its annual St. Never's Day Sale this year on Saturday, May 29, under the tent on my side lawn at the corner of Mason and Broad streets. As usual, items in good condition are being sought including household goods, furniture, tools, etc. Please no computers, tires, or other unsaleable items. All donations may be left on my side porch at 18 Broad Street (directly across from the Bethel Inn) or on the back porch of the society's O'Neil Robinson House at 10 Broad Street (next door south of Bethel Library).

Proceeds from this sale help fund the operating costs of the society, so all donations are deeply appreciated. If items need to be picked up, please call the society office at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910.

Stan Howe  
Associate Director, Bethel Historical Society

### CAR WASH, BOTTLE DRIVE THANKS

#### To the Editor:

Our car wash and bottle drive held on Saturday, April 3, was a huge success and we just wanted to thank everyone involved for their generosity!

The Lady Rebels Softball Team leaves in less than two weeks for the trip to North Carolina and this would not be possible without the overwhelming support from the Bethel area. We would like to thank everyone who came to the car wash and donated bottles, and the SAD44 bus garage crew for letting us use their facility, Tim Wheeler at Wheelers Redemption, Alex and family at Bryant Pond Redemption and Mother Nature for a beautiful day!

Please mark your calendars for the Harlem Rockets game — fun for the whole family — Telstar High School on Tuesday, April 13, at 5 p.m. Refreshments will be served so come early and join us for dinner.

Heidi James  
For the 2010 Lady Rebels' team, coaches and parents

### IS THIS COL. E.H. NEWELL?

#### To the Editor:

I am descended from Col. Ebenezer Francis Newell. His son, Seth Bannister Newell, moved to Bethel from Brookfield, Mass., in 1825. The Colonel moved to Bethel to live out the remainder of his life with his son, both are buried at Riverside Cemetery.

We have a portrait that has been passed down to the family from Seth's brother, the Rev. Ebenezer Francis Newell. We "think" the portrait is of Col. E. F. Newell and wondered if possible descendants of Seth Bannister Newell, should any of them still be in the Bethel area, might see. Hopefully someone will be able to identify the portrait.

Kay Newell  
Austin, Texas



### LIKE LOOKING OUT ACROSS A JUNKYARD

#### To the Editor:

I'll be the first to admit that we need an alternative energy source for generating electrical power, other than being so dependant on coal and petroleum companies. But I do not believe wind generators are the answer. Particularly since we here in Maine have not a power shortage.

It is my understanding that the wind companies are from out of state, and I believe this is another example of influential outsiders telling us Mainers what is good for us and cramming it down our throats.

A year ago I had coffee with a friend who was talking with an individual who worked for CMP and they were discussing the wind companies and towers. I asked this person if all of the power generated from the wind generators was going out of state and he said yes. I asked why aren't they building these where they are needed and he replied that there was too much opposition where the power is needed.

I have a friend who was an engineer at Maine Yankee and he said, "nuclear energy is the cleanest, cheapest and safest electrical energy to produce." There are safeguards protecting safeguards preventing accidents.

Nuclear power plants do produce low-grade radiation material. But — it is low grade. And there are multiple uses for this material. It could be very easily used to fuel small home generating plants and industrial plants. Just think how many trees this would save if there weren't millions of wooden electric poles across this country.

If DEP ever decides to work with the mining companies, so that Maine's mineral resources could be mined, then an abandoned underground mine could be used to safekeep the low-grade material until such time when it can be used for other purposes.

I would rather live beside a nuclear power plant than have the horizon dotted with wind turbines.

Last fall I took a trip to the Kibby Mountain Range to observe the goings-on there. What I saw was astonishing. A 300-foot-wide transmission line right of way had been clear cut from the Kibby Range through the woods to the sub-station at Bigelow Hill below Stratton. I did the math and more than 1,100 acres of woodland had been clear cut, and I'm not aware of a single word of protest from environmentalists about the clear cut. But let a lumber contractor clear cut 250 acres and environmental groups will scream all the way to Augusta.

When a lumber contractor clear cuts a track of land, it will soon reforest and now with their scientific advances, softwood reforestation can be harvested again in 29 years. But the transmission line clear cut will never reforest as periodically they will probably have to be sprayed with a herbicide to prevent trees from growing up under the power lines. And songbirds and small fur animals will be sprayed that happen to be caught in these areas. I have seldom known or seen deer, moose or bear using these areas below high voltage lines.

Two years ago I took a motorcycle trip around the Gaspé Peninsula and in one particular beautiful mountainous area there were wind turbines on every promontory. I counted over a 100. I had heard about the noise that these turbines make so I took a side trip to see for myself. Long before I was close, I could hear the gears grinding over the noise of the motorcycle and the blades of the turbine were revolving slowly. When I turned around to return to the main road, looking out across this once scenic valley and now seeing all of the wind towers, it looked like looking out across at a junkyard.

People may make a cursory trip to see these for themselves, but I don't believe they'll be as an attractive tourist attraction as a scenic mountain range and some areas may even see a reduction in tourist business.

In the late '70s people in southern Maine voted against building the Dickey-Lincoln hydroelectric dam on the St. Johns River west of Allagash. People in northern Maine wanted this dam because it would have greatly helped to prevent flooding in Fort Kent and Fort Fairfield during the spring runoff. It would have also created excellent fisheries and expanded the sporting industry in northern Maine. This project was rejected in a referendum vote. I just don't understand why the project had to go to referendum.

Then about 10 years later the Great Northern Paper Company (GNP) wanted to build the Big A hydroelectric dam on the West Branch of the Penobscot River. GNP was the riparian landowner. It would have flooded a useless gorge, so steep and rocky that deer, moose and bear could not use it. And creating another marvelous fishery and boosting the sporting industry there also. But again, the project was defeated in a referendum vote.

Either one of these projects would probably have provided more electrical power than all the wind generators together, while creating excellent fisheries and expanding the sporting industry and providing more employment.

GNP had stated that if the Big A was voted down the company would have to sell their two paper mills in Millinocket and East Millinocket and their three-million woodland acres. Needless to say, GNP, soon after the vote, made good their statement. It's too bad too. I have worked with many of GNP's foresters and inspectors and I found the company, in my opinion, to be the stewards of the woods in the state. And they sold out and left Maine.

Randall Probert  
Bethel

### OUR CHILDREN DESERVE BETTER

#### To the Editor:

RSU44 is similar to many schools across the state. We have been hit hard by the cuts to public education proposed by the governor. If the Legislature approves the governor's plan, millions of dollars will be cut from Maine's public schools, including almost \$800,000 in our district alone. As part of a two-year plan, the District's superintendent outlined dramatic reduction of staff and employees in the second year. Along with these reductions the superintendent will be asking local taxpayers to make up for the state's cuts by proposing mill increases for property owners. Even if the towns vote to raise their local share by approximately one million dollars, the cuts that are proposed will be devastating. Increased class sizes, loss of programs, and fewer supplies will have a negative effect on the quality of education we provide our children.

The teachers and staff of RSU44 are highly qualified, dedicated and caring professionals that bring all their skills and commitment into the classroom every day. Our salaries are below state average, and Maine is currently ranked 44th in the nation in average salaries. Our teachers have been asked to freeze their salaries for two years, stop longevity pay and take three to four furlough days next year. Cutting approximately 25 percent of the current staff and asking for wage freezes and furlough days is placing the lion's share of these cuts on the teachers and staff. We feel that the quality of education should be of foremost concern in developing and implementing the next budget.

We are actively encouraging our legislators to fully support public education for the children of our state. They need to look at all the proposals that will help maintain the current level of funding for our schools and to vote against a budget that jeopardizes the quality of education for our public schools. We are also asking our school board to consider proposals that have the least impact on our children. In addition, during this difficult time, we should make sure that the burden is spread between administration and the teachers and other support personnel. Our children deserve better.

Telstar Educators Association

### PERFORMING ARTS PROJECT

#### To the Editor:

After a successful first year of producing five local performing arts events, the Bethel Performing Arts Project is looking ahead to the coming year with hopes of including more local performers, businesses, and nonprofit groups in the collaborative mission of: providing affordable, locally produced entertainment in a variety of venues, to stimulate sustainable economic growth, and to inspire our residents to come out and support our talented friends and neighbors who give it their all to entertain us.

This summer we will be producing the porch play "Painting the Porch" in collaboration with Mahoosuc Arts Council's first sponsored "Bethel Art Fair" on July 3. We are looking for people of all ages who would like to participate to give us a call. We are looking for people who would like to act, musicians, visual artists, writers, and people to fill a number of supporting roles. We hope to have our planning finalized and scripts in hand by the end of May. Please call 824-3353 for information.

We appreciate your support and your participation in our productions and we look forward to your help "Painting the Porch."

Ross Timberlake and Lynn Arizza  
Co-Volunteer Coordinators, Bethel Performing Arts Project

### 4-H CAMP CLEAN-UP DAY

#### To the Editor:

We are currently seeking volunteers for our annual camp clean-up day on Saturday, April 24. We need help setting up tents, raking, clearing brush from trails, light construction/carpentry projects, sprucing up garden beds etc. We will provide lunch.

We'll start working at 8 a.m. and work until we're done. Please call 865-2068 for more information and to RSVP so we'll have enough food on hand. Dress to get dirty, bring work gloves and any tools you think we might need, and come have some fun with us.

For over 50 years, the Bryant Pond 4-H Camp and Learning Center programs have introduced children and adults to a unique blend of safe outdoor fun, conservation education, and practical outdoor skills.

For more information visit: [www.extension.umaine.edu/bryantpond](http://www.extension.umaine.edu/bryantpond).

Scott Olsen  
Marketing and Outreach Director, Bryant Pond 4-H Camp & Learning Center

## Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Stanley "Pea-nut" Gallant was presented a plaque in recognition of more than 50 years of service to the Bethel Fire Department.

The renovation of Gould Academy's Gehring Hall was completed with the installation of a fully restored and modernized clock tower featuring GPS sensor controls in the clock.

The Mahoosuc Arts Council presented Mountain Music, featuring local talent, at Telstar High School.

Births: Emma Rose Mills, Shannon Kate Murphy, Sarah Michelle Bartlett, Lukas William and Finn Brokaw Weber, Travis Elwood Wing, Kaiya Sophia Corriveau, Michael Allan Bean.

Deaths: Sharon M. Peaslee, Addie L. Colby.

20 years ago: Doug Zinchuk and Dave Carter rallied from behind to win the 11th annual Pole, Paddle and Paw race for the third consecutive year.

Telstar Middle School Drama presented a musical based on Mark Twain's novel "Tom Sawyer."

The "Images of the Future" community Leadership Conference for Western Maine drew people of all ages from high school students to senior citizens.

Death: Merle E. Akers.

30 years ago: The Second Annual April Fools' Pole, Paddle and Paw Race hosted by Sunday River Ski Touring Center attracted 16 teams. The winners were Eric Hastings and Roger Smith.

Robins had been sighted on the Flat Road in West Bethel.

William G. Bickford of Norway announced his candidacy for sheriff of Oxford County on the Republican ticket.

Births: Shana Renae Tran, Kate Riley Nickerson, Justin Michael Shimamura, Kate Elizabeth Davis.

Deaths: Roydon H. Billings, Frank E. Hanscom, Jr.

40 years ago: A late-arriving winter storm left about six inches of wet snow in the Bethel area.

The Junior High Youth Groups of the Methodist and Congregational churches spent Easter weekend at the Rockcraft Lodge Conference Center at Sebago Lake.

The Red Rooster Motel, Bethel, won a listing in the twelfth edition of the Mobil Travel Guide.

Births: Sarah Lorelle Smith, James Ervil Westleigh, Delbert Ray Mason, Jr.

Deaths: Mrs. Alice H. Merrill, Herbert E. Berryment, Sr.

50 years ago: Charles Bean, U.S. Army left for Oakland, Calif. en route to Korea.

The Sunday River Jr. Ski Club met at William Bingham Gym. A ski film was shown by Charles Helmo, and officers were elected: President: Jeff Clough; Vice President, Ronald Smiley; Secretary, Donald Young.

Bobby Blake received painful and severe injuries to two fingers of his left hand while working with a band saw at his father's mill.

Birth: Patricia Jean Owen.

Death: Larry Lessard.

60 years ago: Alterations were in progress at Bennett's Garage to provide a new showroom on the corner and a larger parts room at the rear.

About 40 members and officials of the Woodstock High School boys' and girls' basketball teams were served a testimonial dinner at the Grange Hall.

Birth: Kenneth Owen Kimball.

70 years ago: The balance of the stock of Rowe's store was moved to Rangeley by H.M. Tyler who conducted the final sale.

Deaths: Fred V. Abbott, Kenneth Dale Roberts, Louis N. Vigue, Dexter D. Peverley, Nellie A. Douglass.

80 years ago: Lyman Wheeler was census enumerator for the town of Bethel. E. O. Donahue was enumerator for Albany, Stoneham, and Mason.

Deaths: Eva Bryant, Francis B. Whitman.

100 years ago: Henry Verrill used wheels for the first time in 1910 on his mail route to Grover Hill.

A ball was held at Bell's Hall in West Bethel with 50 couples joining the grand march.

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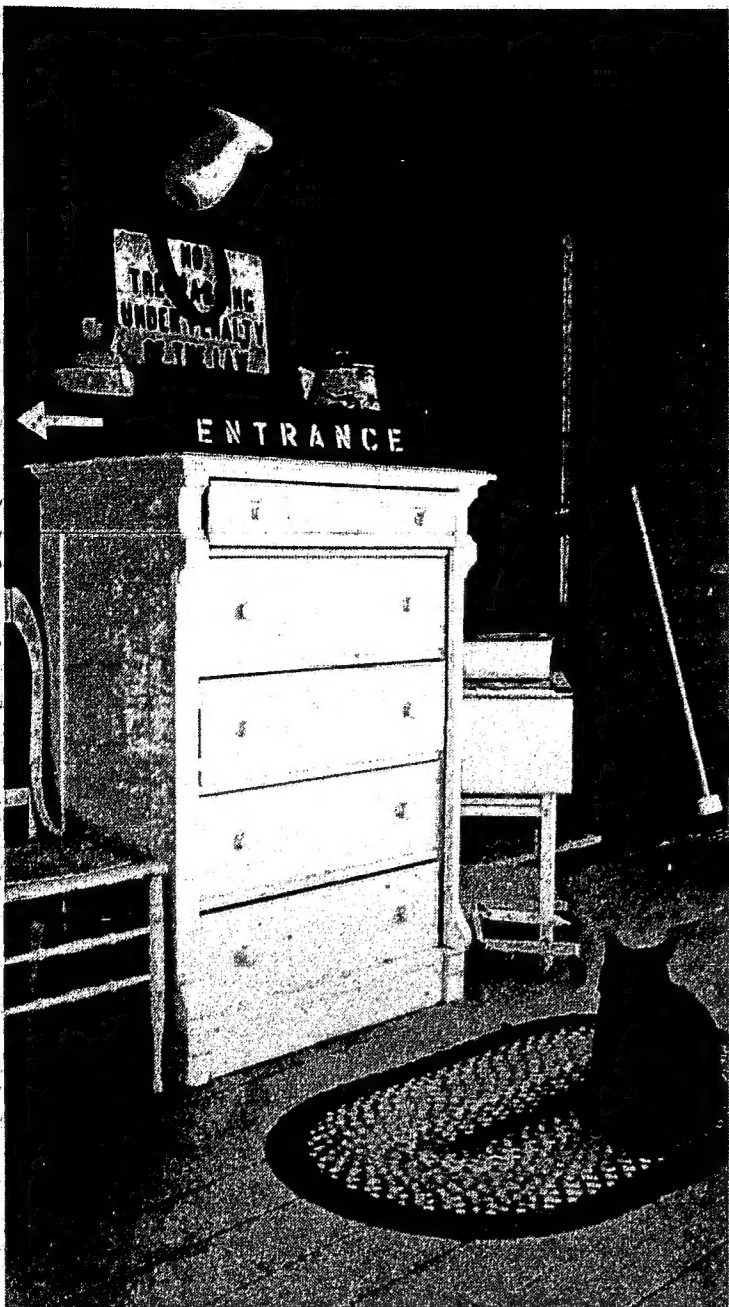
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**OR SHOULD THAT BE 'UNDER PENALTY OF THE CLAW'?**  
Customers are really very welcome at the Peabody Tavern Antiques shop in Gilead. It appears here that one of owner Michael Kane's black cats is standing guard in front of a "No Trespassing Under Penalty of the Law" sign. But the sign, displayed near the side door of the shop, is one of Kane's many items for sale.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

#### In our back yard

### Green Lawn Care Tips

Decreasing or eliminating the use of chemicals such as pesticides (which include insect and weed killers) and fertilizers is a great place to start to reduce health risks.

Kids and pets are more likely than adults to roll on a lawn, walk barefoot (think paws or feet), put things in their mouths, and generally come in contact with chemicals applied to lawns. And with this exposure comes risks. Noting this, a study done by Purdue University found "exposure to herbicide-treated lawns and gardens increases the risk of bladder cancer in Scottish terriers."

Can you have both a healthy green lawn and one safe for kids and pets? Yes!

New research from the University of Connecticut as part of a New England Cooperative Extension project showed that lawns over 10 years of age need no fertilizers. Simply leaving your grass clippings provides enough natural nourishment to feed the grass. (Younger lawns may need a little nitrogen.) Plus most lawns don't need phosphorus — Maine soils are rich in it. So look for Phosphorus Free, P-free or bags marked 10-0-0, and apply half the amount called for on the bag.

If you are going to apply fertilizer it is best to do so in late summer/early fall when our cool weather grasses have their fall growth spurt. At this time you are feeding the grasses and not the weeds because the weed species are going dormant. Fertilizing in the spring feeds the weeds! Another important rule is not to over-fertilize. Determine the size of your lawn and buy only what you need, storing any extra for next year. Over fertilizing wastes money and doesn't improve your lawn.

What about weeds? First, remember the weeds in your lawn have no associated environmental or health risk, but applying pesticides or weed and feeds (which contain pesticides) does carry risks. But if the sight of weeds in your lawn is really something you can't stand, there are ways to reduce them. First, as mentioned above, stop feeding them. Only fertilize your lawn in early fall. Second, set the mowing height high, at least three inches. Taller grass shades out competing weeds and protects grass roots from drying out, resulting in healthier grass plants. Over seeding throughout the growing season with perennial ryegrass and fescue also make it tougher for weeds to grab a foothold in your lawn. And as much as we all try to avoid it, simply removing the offending weeds by hand is also effective and has no risk to kids or pets.

If you feel the need to water your lawn, limit watering to once or twice a week and water deeply encouraging the grass roots to go deep. This will make for healthier grass and thus a healthier lawn.

For more information visit [www.YardScaping.org](http://www.YardScaping.org), or call your county Cooperative Extension office, which can be found in the phone book under the University of Maine Cooperative Extension.

This column was submitted by Kathy Hoppe, an Environmental Specialist IV with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Bureau of Land and Water Quality. In Our Back Yard is a weekly column of the DEP. E-mail your environmental questions to [infoDEP@maine.gov](mailto:infoDEP@maine.gov) or send them to In Our Back Yard, Maine DEP, 17 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

Insofar as possible, we attempt to publish letters without alteration, but we do reserve the right to edit for length, libel, taste and readability. Letters should be limited to 300 words, but that limit will be waived when the situation warrants.

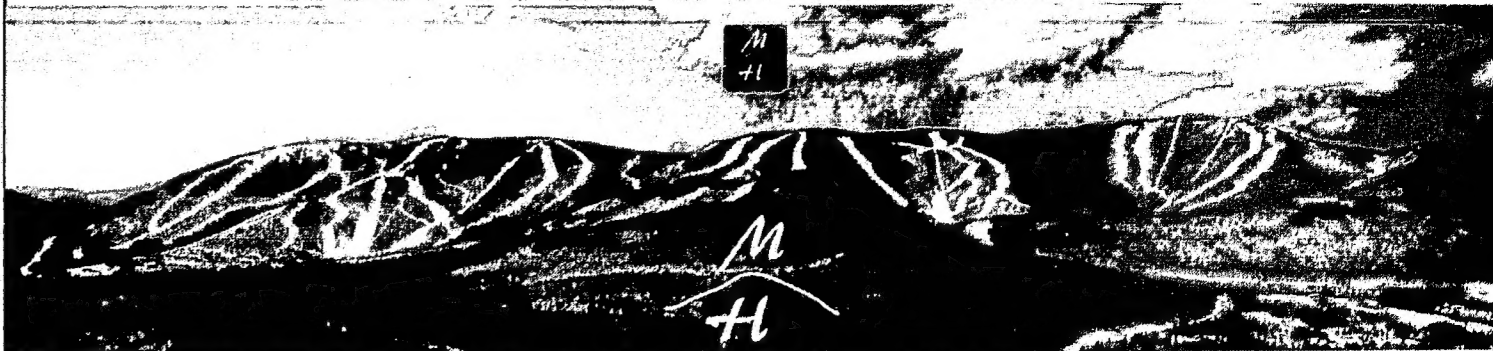
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When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

The deadline for letters to the editor is 4:30 p.m. Monday. Letters submitted after that deadline will be considered for publication when circumstances permit.

Send your letters to: Editor, Bethel Citizen, PO Box 109, Bethel, ME 04217-0109. Fax: 824-2426. E-mail: [news@bethelcitizen.com](mailto:news@bethelcitizen.com).

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Princess

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AMANDA JAGUSIAK, a summer resident of Albany Township, is representing Maine this week at the National Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, D.C.

ing, get people in Maine more involved."

They'll start out with the schools. "He's hoping that the two of us can travel, with me as a princess, and visit elementary and middle schools, and talk to the students."

But for now, both father and daughter are living in the moment. "I'm having a wonderful time," Amanda said from the nation's Capital.

And her father describes his tour in Iraq as "one of the best experiences of my life," but he admits he far prefers the climate in Albany "to the 135+ degrees we have here during the Summer."

About the festival

The National Cherry Blossom Festival is described as "neither a beauty pageant nor a talent competition," but more of a cultural opportunity for young Maine women to represent the state and the Maine State Society of Washington D.C., which sponsors each year's entry.

And each year the princess from one state or territory is selected, by spinning-wheel chance, to carry that role to a larger stage. If the wheel stops on the name of her state or territory, she will travel to Japan to represent the United States at that country's Cherry Blossom Festival.

For more information on the Festival, go to mainstate-society.org.

Enrollment

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ITV College classes, Central Maine Community College classes, adult academics, Western Mountains Senior College, and Community Education classes.

Examples of specific classes from among some of those

areas are algebra, chemistry, psychology, drivers' ed, CPR, yoga, knitting, cooking, Spanish, creative writing, poetry, Nordic walking, painting and the To Your Health Series.

The current budget proposal calls for the local share of

next year's Adult Ed budget to be cut from \$106,000 to \$71,000.

The board's budget process will continue at its next meeting on April 12, to be held at the Andover Elementary School.

Award

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ger — Alternative Power Source."

Alternative power sources may include portable generators and fixed-mounted generators, as well as wind and solar power sources.

Woodstock Fire Chief Geoff Inman had 1,000 stickers printed.

The firefighters now give them to homeowners who

have generators, and also distribute them through electrical contractors.

Last fall, Ken Dixon of the Andover Fire Department submitted a description of the sticker project to the Maine Fire Safety Commission.

As a result, NOMA was recently recognized by the commission with a "Best Practice" award.

Pierce thinks other Maine fire departments are getting the word about the stickers.

"We have not advertised outside of the NOMA area, but I am sure the word has spread beyond us," said Pierce.

Any homeowner interested in obtaining a sticker may contact a local fire department.



**BEST PRACTICES AWARD**  
Newry Fire Chief Bruce Pierce holds a "Best Practices" plaque presented to NOMA by the Maine Fire Protection Services Commission. Below (in black and white) the bright-yellow warning sign.

(Photos: A. Aloisio)

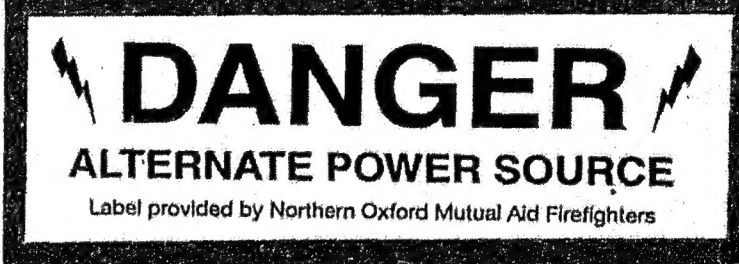
Dropouts

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courses at the high school. "We offer multiple ways to be successful. This is a very savvy generation," Waite

said. The school is too small to include an alternative education program, such as is avail-

able at neighboring Mountain Valley and Dirigo high schools.





## The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Readers of this column know what a techno-dope I am and know that the rapid advances in technology have gone right by me. They know, because I have written about such things, that I consider myself operating at 33 1/3 in an iPod world.

What they don't know is that I have actually tried to learn a little bit about the high tech gadgets and gizmos that seem to dominate the world.

I have had my grandsons show me how to send a text message on my cell phone though I have not actually sent one. I have even listened to music on one of the boy's iPods, though I was sure my ears would bleed from the punk rock head-banging lyrics.

I felt that I should at least know a little about all this stuff that I hear so much about. Rather than have my eyes glaze over with ignorance I thought it would be nice if they showed a little intelligence whenever techno-speak is spoken in my presence.

So, it was in the interest of learning that I read an online article about bathroom technology. The bathroom is one room where I have always been quite confident that I knew how to use all the devices there. If that was going to change I needed to know about it.

The biggest upgrades I ever expect to do with my bathroom is a new

shower curtain and perhaps a padded toilet seat. However, for those so electronically inclined and with the bank account to back them up there is a new menu of bathroom techno-appliances available.

For the television addicts who hate to miss a second of their favorite shows while they answer nature's call there is a two-way mirror with a hidden 15" LCD TV. The TV is not visible until you turn it on using the remote then it suddenly appears in the mirror.

**a new menu of bathroom techno-appliances available.**

That's all very nice, but with a price tag of over \$1,300 I'll continue to control my urges until the commercials are on.

Maybe you would rather watch television while relaxing in the tub instead of sitting on the hopper and as it turns out you can do that too. Saturn Bath Company of Korea has designed an all-in-one TV-tub unit.

Call me skeptical, but I'd be a little nervous about combining an electrical appliance with running water that I'm going to immerse myself in.

And speaking of running water, for those who are tired of turning faucet knobs to get the right temperature, well there's an

app for that. A company called iHouse has created the Smart Faucet that uses facial recognition to automatically adjust the water temperature and flow to your desired taste.

Once you are comfortably in the tub the touchscreen on the faucet allows you to access your email, get a weather report or plan your daily schedule. Again, wiring and water don't seem like a good combination to me.

But, if you trust the technology of such electronics to be safe and you want a perfect all-over tan you might want to dole out \$11,000 for the ProSun Sunshower. This tanning shower allows the user to turn on specific tanning lamps to target particularly pale areas of the body where the sun never shines.

My personal favorite device mentioned in this article is Toto Talk, a talking toilet. You can get stock quotes, your fortune and a bunch of other information from Toto Talk. I didn't make this up folks, it really exists. Boy, talk about your potty mouth!

Though I may be attempting to understand the techno-world a little better I don't believe I'll be adding any of it to my bathroom any time soon. However, the way I see it, if they ever come up with an electronically self-cleaning bathroom, that is technology that I will readily embrace.

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5 43,560 square feet  
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13 Word in a triangle  
18 Lotion additive  
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23 Minnesota city  
25 Folklore figure  
26 Japanese dog  
27 Saint Catherine's home  
28 Groucho's gaze  
30 Shriver of tennis  
32 "Alibi" ('89 film)  
33 The planes of Israel  
35 James or Place  
39 Connecticut city  
42 Virginia city  
46 Buffalo waterfront  
47 Directional suffix  
48 Owl's cry  
49 — plexus  
51 Tumbler

55 "Bonanza" setting  
58 Farm vehicle  
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61 "— Gay"  
62 Bellini opera  
63 Sausage  
66 Goller's gadget  
67 Tropical tree  
69 Mrs. Charlie Chaplin  
71 Ewe said it!  
72 Stink  
73 New York city  
75 Kentucky city  
78 Dorothy's dog  
79 — Aviv  
80 Wingding  
82 Condescend  
83 Yalie  
84 "— with Love" ('67 film)  
86 Fernando or  
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91 "Hi, Ho!"  
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112 Castilian cry  
113 Catchall abbr.  
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125 "Roots" writer  
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72 Trickster  
73 La —, CA  
74 Popeye's favorite shade?  
76 Helen Hunt Jackson novel  
77 Hound's handle  
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81 They're out of this world  
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90 Word form for "environment"

92 Present  
94 Harp —  
95 Head line?  
97 Beat  
99 Where kids eat  
102 Menlo Park monogram  
104 It's in the bag  
105 Pipe part  
106 A place with buzz?  
107 It may give you pause  
108 Nom de crime?  
109 Gnats and brats  
114 First base man?  
116 Spinks or Trotsky  
117 Desdemona's enemy  
119 Novelist O'Flaherty  
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121 Actress Ward  
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# From the Bethel Police Log:

Tuesday, April 6

At 9:56 a.m. a complainant asked Lt. S.R. White if the BPD had done a welfare check on a person at a residence. The person had not had a welfare check, but had been arrested for OUI.

Monday, April 5

At 4:50 a.m. Officer Jason Goff responded to Woodstock for an intoxicated male who had trapped himself inside the homeowner's vehicle and was unaware of his surroundings. He began beeping the horn and crawling through the vehicle. The subject was arrested for criminal trespass. After taking the subject to jail, the officer was asked to return to the residence for another male who had entered the adjacent vehicle in the driveway. On arrival the officer learned the subject had fled on foot. The homeowner was advised to secure the vehicles.

At 12:20 p.m. Lt. S.R. White assisted a State Trooper on Route 2 with a vehicle stop involving marijuana. There were five adults and a child in the vehicle. The stop also led to search of a Bethel residence.

Sunday, April 4

At 1:47 a.m. Officer Jason Goff responded to back up State Police and county deputies with an arrest on Butters Hill Road in Lovell.

At 2 a.m. Officer Jason Goff responded to Lovell to assist county deputies with a large underage drinking party and an out-of-control burn. A subject was arrested and the Fire Department put out the fire.

At 11:30 a.m. Officer Mark Tibbetts responded to Hall Hill Road for a report of a vicious dog attack. When the officer arrived a subject was on the ground with puncture wounds to the arm. The dogs were secured in a vehicle. The subject was taken to the hospital.

At 4 p.m. Officer Anthony Keach responded to a single-vehicle accident on the Songo Pond Road. The driver had swerved to avoid a small animal and lost control.

Saturday, April 3

At 1:02 a.m. Officer Jason Goff stopped a motorist who failed to stop at a stop sign at Mechanic St./Mayville. The driver was arrested for OUI, at more than twice the legal limit.

At 6:30 p.m. Officer Anthony Keach responded to Route 232 for a complaint of a possibly intoxicated driver. The subject was stopped on Route 2. The driver was found to be a diabetic with low blood sugar. She was near her destination.

At 8:20 p.m. Officer Anthony Keach responded to Broad Street for a domestic assault. After reportedly head butting a female, a male had left in her car. The victim said she was all right, but wanted her vehicle back. The vehicle was later located in West Paris with the keys in the car.

Friday, April 2

At 10:58 a.m. Lt. S.R. White responded to Route 26/Parkway for a report of a erratic driver. The officer stopped the vehicle, and it was determined the driver had just had medical tests and wasn't feeling well. She was at her destination at the time of the stop.

At 1:50 p.m. Lt. S.R. White responded to Main Street for a report of a dog in a vehicle all day. The owner was warned.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists cases reported in the log of adults being arrested or issued a summons in the 10 days prior to the newspaper's publication, but does not include all reports of police activity, such as routine speeding tickets and other civil violations. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

## Tips from the Bethel Police Department

If you dial 911 by mistake, don't hang up. Stay on the line and tell the dispatcher what happened.

## Oxford County Jail:

(Bethel region)

April 4, 8:55 a.m.: Carl R. Roberts Jr., 39, of Greenwood, domestic assault, possession of a firearm by a prohibited person, violation of bail conditions; by Cpl. Chancey Libby in Greenwood.

April 3, 6:20 p.m.: Terrence G. Gordon, 20, of Albany, possession of Schedule W, X, Y drugs, leaving the scene of a personal-injury accident, failure to report an accident by the quickest possible means; by Sgt. Tim Ontengco, on Crooked River Causeway.

## Bethel

By Nancy Brown

Celebrate National Library Week from April 11-17. First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance of our libraries sponsored by the American Library Association. The Bethel Library is celebrating by eliminating overdue fines for all items returned during that week. Even if the items are five or 10 years overdue, the library will erase all the fines and patrons can start with a clean slate.

Library hours are Monday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 1 to 5 p.m.; and Wednesday from 1 to 8 p.m. There is a book drop located to the right of the front door, along with a basket of rubber bands to close the books.

Kate Wight celebrated her 30th birthday with a family party at the home of her parents, George and Danna Nickerson, on Sunday, March 28. Also attending were Nate and Addie Wight, John and Susan Wight, Ruth Wight, and Randy Bennett. Following the family gathering, co-workers, friends, and family joined Kate at the Moses Mason House for a 1980s-themed surprise party.

Muriel Butters and Bud Bowden return from their winter home in Zephyrhills, Fla., on April 8. Bud will be going to the Maine Veterans' Home in South Paris for rehabilitation before he comes home to Bethel.

Congratulations to the Bethel Fire Department for placing third in the 20th Annual Firefighters' Race at Sunday River on March 28. The Auburn fire department won the race and the Jay fire department placed second. Proceeds from the race, as well as the 20th Annual Eat the Heat Chili Cook Off and the 25th Annual Ski-A-Thon raised \$300,000 for Maine Handicapped Skiing. The judges for the chili cook-off awarded first place to the Shipyard Brew Haus from Newry. The runner-up award went to the Sunday River Brew Pub of Bethel and third place to Cho Sun of Bethel. The People's Choice Award went to The Sudbury Inn of Bethel.

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WORKING THEIR WAY TO NORTH CAROLINA—The Telstar High School Softball Team held a car wash and bottle drive Saturday to raise funds for a trip in two weeks to North Carolina. The next fundraiser will be a Harlem Rockets game April 13 at THS, at 5 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Betsey Foster will hold

an introductory program on Meditation, Qigong and T'ai Chi on Friday, April 9 from 10 to 11:15 a.m. Foster, the director of T'ai Chi and Qigong for All, LLC, has studied these arts since 1988 and taught since 1993. The program is sponsored by Western Mountains Senior College and will be held at the West Parish Congregational Church on Church Street. The public is invited and admission is free.

The To Your Health Committee of Western Mountains Senior College is sponsoring two programs on "Good Food: Buying and Growing Locally" during April. The first program is Wednesday, April 14, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Barbara Murphy, Extension Educator from the Oxford County Office of the U.M. Cooperative Extension, will speak on "10 Steps for Growing Your Healthy Food." The program will be held at the West Parish Congregational Church. Everyone is welcome. Admission is free.

Do you have news? Send it to nancybrown1150@yahoo.com or call 824-2483.

## Upton

By Laurie Brown

The shampoo and conditioner that I buy are in identical bottles, same brand name, same design, and usually the same color. The words "shampoo" and "conditioner" are written in tiny print that I can't see without my glasses. The only time it bothers me is when I'm trying to use them! I guess a person could add this to the "you know you're getting old when" list, eh?

The Easter Sunrise service was beautiful. The sun was just coming up over the knoll behind the Rector's home as we arrived. Jim Rector's Bible reading and his heartfelt rendition of Christ's death and resurrection were stirring and memorable.

The buffet included a variety of a lot of good cooks' efforts and was well attended.

Finally there is almost as much bare ground as there is

snow-covered ground around our cabin!

Our new town clerk, Michele Bouchard, intends to keep her office hours the same as they've been for the past several years: Tuesday mornings from 8 to 10 and Thursday evenings from 7 to 9.

The next Upton Historical Society meeting will be April 25 at 11:30 at the Ladies Aid Building.

Are you interested in Meditation, T'ai Chi or Qigong? Would you like to hear about "10 steps for Growing your food healthy" or learn about food buying and grown locally? If so, and for more information, contact Rosabelle Tift, at 824-2053.

I like this phrase from "The Last Juror" by John Grisham: "My father lives in Memphis, in an old family house that he never leaves because both he and the house have a few loose boards."

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Do you have your float planned for the Aug. 21 parade? All are welcome to participate — not just residents of Upton.

The robins are here in full force. They have been for a while, actually. I just keep forgetting to mention it.

One of Jes Bernier's new favorite places to be is riding on the 4-wheeler with Grandpa.

Have a wonderful week. Se-lah

## Gilead

By Lin Chapman

Hopefully, everyone had a nice Easter Sunday.

The weather was great this past weekend. Hugh and I had a chance to sit out in the lawn swing for the first time this year. The thermometer hit 70 degrees and the glass of lemonade tasted good!

My brother, Steve McLain, helped his son, Brad, do a little work on the horse trailer this past weekend. Brad and Carole needed it to be in top shape to transport the horses.

Lise McLain took her father, Gerard Dupont, to Portland last week for a doctor's appointment.

Bob and Judy Bishop stopped by last Thursday on their way back to the Bethel Inn from a day trip through parts of New Hampshire. They decided to wait around and attend the Planning Board meeting in the evening with Hugh and me. The GHS was presenting some plans to the Board for changes that will be made to the lot on the corner.

The road crew is back working on Route 2 right in town. They are laying drainage pipe alongside the road. One day last week, when it was raining so hard, the little brook that comes from behind the picnic area began running across the road instead of under it. Traffic was reduced to one lane for a while. The crew arrived early to work on it.

Rosabelle Tift, who is in charge of To Your Health for the Western Mountains



"F" IS FOR "FLAMINGO"—Children at Mahosuc Montessori have been exploring the letter F. One recent morning they arrived at school to discover a funny, fancy, feathery, frolicking, flock of flamingos had stopped to feed on the lawn in front of their school on Church Street in Bethel. Children pictured are, from left: Corinne Nivus, Janna Botka, (tucked in back: Lindsay Stephenson), Payton Berry, Emily Cummings, Isaiah Connally, Nicholas Godomsky, Izacc Grenberg, Tess Fultz, Morgan Zetts, Riley Jerome.

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Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

## East Bethel

By Wally Ritz

I think all will agree that this sure was a beautiful Easter weekend. So I might as well get right to Easter news from the neighborhood.

John and Eva Coolidge had her mother stay over on Thursday evening for an early Easter celebration.

Millie Jackson had Easter dinner with Robert and Carol Everett and family.

Peter Haines and Nancy Mercer had dinner with their brother, George, his daughter, Lisa, and his son, James.

Roberta Grover, daughter of Doug and Beth Grover, was here from Virginia to visit family and friends.

Arlene Harrington spent the weekend in Durham with her youngest daughter and her

husband, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hallman.

Diane Howe and Michael Blaisdell hosted an Easter dinner and Easter egg hunt for the little ones. Attending were Andrea Howe and Savannah Merrill of East Bethel, Dustin and Marian Howe of South Paris, Elsie and Peter Seames of Greenwood, Jason Coolidge, Bekah Howe and Kimball Coolidge of East Bethel, Alyssa Howe, Robert Hayes, Skylar and Dylan Bouchard of Rumford, Nick Graham, Jessica Rodique, and Logan Graham of Rumford, Macy Blaisdell, Heather McAllister and Landyn Blaisdell of West Bethel, and Lisa Kelley of Farmington. Mother Nature provided a wonderful day for the event.

Esther, Butch, and their sister, Grace, just came back from visiting their brother, Howard, and his wife, Donna, in Florida. As usual they had a great time together.

The Alder River Grange had their regular meeting on March 26 at Lynn Mason-Courtney's home. The news from this meeting is that on

May 15 Franklin Grange 124, Pleasant Valley Grange, and Alder River Grange will host a Maine/New Hampshire night at the American Legion Hall in Locke Mills. Nancy Mercer will call for food in a week and then again the first part of May as a reminder.

Alder River Grange will try for a Harvest Supper and a Turkey Supper this year. Their next meeting will be at the Hall on April 23 starting at 6:30 p.m. with a potluck supper and the meeting at 7:30. Then in May Alder River Grange will honor a fellow East Bethel person with a Community Service Award.

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For next week I'd love to hear some answers to the Trivia question. Call 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net.

## Hanover

By Clem Worcester

Matthew Duka has been accepted at Bates College. He is the son of Richard and Suzanne Duka.

Following surgery at Saint Mary's hospital in Lewiston, Peter Baker is now continuing treatments at a Portland facility. It is reported that he is improving.

Robert Brown continues to improve at home. A few days ago he was seen driving his truck around just like always.

Easter day guests of Donna and Clem Worcester were Jenny and Matt Tirrell, Sara and Brian Worcester and family, Lisa and Henry Theberge, Marie Halacy and Pete Pearce. There was an Easter egg hunt for the children.

A lot of people were enjoying the delightful Easter weekend visiting with friends and relatives, doing yard work or just plain enjoying the outdoors. Large groups of people hiked along the road from Hanover Village to Howard Pond.

Looking for dates and times for local events? Check out the bulletin board on the official Hanover website: [www.hanoverme.org](http://www.hanoverme.org).

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## Mason

By Richard Grover

On Tuesday of last week I was scheduled for a colonoscopy at Midmaine Hospital in Brunswick. Why I didn't change it to a closer hospital I can't rightly say, but that would be logical. If you have had one of these procedures, you know that the preparation is much worse than the procedure. They are back to having you drink a half gallon of what tastes like sea water the evening before the procedure, much more distasteful than the Fleet prep that they used to use. The first 8 ounces of the prep doesn't taste too bad, but each succeeding glass is less and less appealing, until the last 8 ounces begins to activate the "retch" reflex!

Once you finish "getting your pipes cleaned out" sufficiently, you go hungry for the next 16 or 18 hours, surviving only on "clear liquids." The rest is a piece of cake. At the hospital they have you dress in one of those "johnnies," open in the back, lay you on a gurney, stick an I.V. in your arm and wheel you into the procedure room. They wheel you up in front of a TV, and before you know it you are asleep due to the anesthesia in your I.V. water. In my case, I awoke in time to watch the last few minutes of my procedure and was fascinated watching the "journey down the winding pink tunnel!"

On the gurney ride back to my dressing room, the nurses explained all the things I shouldn't do for the next 24 hours due to the potential after effects of the anesthesia: don't drive any motor vehicles or operate heavy equipment, don't make any important decisions, and don't go on any shopping sprees. They told me they knew of some people who had gone shopping and bought lots of stuff they didn't need or couldn't afford. They said they even heard of a man who, after he got home, went online and bought a monkey! It arrived at his home a couple days later by delivery truck.

On Saturday I decided to take a bike ride to check out the road to Crocker Pond, which always has a sign up that says, "Road not maintained for winter use." I wanted to see how soon the National Forest folks might be opening the gate. I found that the road through to Songo Pond was indeed passable to most vehicles, but the surface sported a couple inches of soupy mud in many places, which made biking a little



**NEW EAGLE SCOUT**—Ryan LeBroke recently received the Eagle Scout badge, one of the highest honors recognized by the Boy Scouts of America. The ceremony took place at Jackson-Silver Post 68. Ryan is shown here with his parents, Denise and David.

tougher. There were a couple large frost heaves that looked as if they might cave in sometime soon and some residual packed snow-ice that vehicles had passed through. I was even passed by a Chrysler sedan that had apparently come through from Songo Pond, as I approached the paved section of road on the Flat Road end. I conclude that as long as the weather holds, it may be possible to drive to Crocker as soon as they open the gate.

## West Paris

By Joyce Lamb

There has been a week of warm, sunny days. The flooding in this area has receded and flowers are blooming everywhere.

The Easter Sunrise service of the West Paris Universalist Church was well attended. All gathered in time to see the big red ball appear on the horizon as it entered the streaking of red and yellow and orange above. It only takes a few minutes to completely ascend into sight and light the earth. On April 11 the Rev. Richard Beal will speak on "Lest We Forget," discussing Holocaust remembrance day. Jim Burke is organist. A coffee hour follows. All are welcome.

Peggy Lamb and husband Mike Seaton and dog Maisy of Augusta drove up to have an Easter dinner with her mother, Joyce Lamb. They brought a large pot of violas, yellow penny jump-ups. Their smiling faces should cheer me all summer. They also brought a large bag of Easter candy, peeps with chocolate bases and peeps with chocolate and coconut that looked like birds in nests. There was also a large, solid chocolate bunny and lamb and eggs. This should help control my chocolate addiction for a short while.

Muffin was in her usual sunny spot on the porch and did not pay much attention to the dog. The dog does not get too near to a cat for they can scratch.

## Greenwood City

By Wayne Hakala

And like I told Rowena, I was being sick, lame and lazy last week and didn't get the column in. The week before, it just wasn't put in print. But I'm back and the sunshine has put life back in the earth to

turn green again! Saturday evening saw the Legion Post lively again with friends and family gathered around to give a hand for Jim Young. As many know, Jim took a rather nasty fall and broke his leg. So the good people came together to help him out and help they sure did. It was a good evening of good food, laughter, seeing old friends and raising a lot of dough.

I did learn Brenda makes a wicked good Peanut Butter Brownie. And I had to make sure that Retta didn't get my share. Oh, they were good. Plus I learned the real reason why Jon rolled his pickup up in the wilds of Grafton on Route 26. Is there any truth in that Eddie?

There are a number of func-

tions happening at Post 68. Nancy Willard is teaching ballroom dancing. All the proceeds go the Area Food Bank. And the Damons are joining in again this year. Ed is looking forward to a dance with Jamie.

Coming up the 13th is the start of supper dances for the season. Doors open at 4 p.m. and supper is served at 5 p.m. For this first dance, the Richard Felt band is playing for your dancing and listening pleasure. Anita hasn't given me the official menu yet. Guess I can't be trusted with such information. So come on over for a good meal, dancing and visiting with friends. Always a good time put on by the Unit 68.

On the 25th of the month is a Basket Bingo for the West Paris Library. Jim and Julie Ben-

nett were in the other evening and asked many good questions. The library still needs more dollars to pay for the wonderful addition. And is long over due. More details coming at you soon.

The 6th of May will be the Installation of Post and Unit officers for the new year. I'm not sure of all the details yet. Then on the 7th of May, there will be a special bingo to help the Military Vehicle Show to be held at the Veterans' Home in South Paris. All the profit will help defray the costs involved with the show. The show will be held on the 17th of July. Many more details to come.

I received an e-mail from Ms. Tift about some programs that will be held. On Friday, April 9, from 10 to 11:15 a.m., Betsey Foster will hold an introductory program on Meditation, Qigong and Tai Chi. The program is sponsored by Western Mountains Senior College and will be held at the Bethel Congregational Church. The public is invited and admission is free.

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I'll be attending the Bethel Area Non-profit Forum, on Friday April 9. I think it will prove to be interesting and maybe we can get a few functions working better and more support for all.

Time to watch baseball! Go Sox!

## Newry

By Sylvia Harrington

The weather was so wonderful for Easter weekend it made it a joy to be with relatives and friends.

Mark made a wonderful dinner for us, which we enjoyed. As usual we drove up to the top of Paradise Hill to enjoy the lovely sun and scenery. He took several pictures of the views and me before we drove back down. We stopped to say hello to Sue Cross, who was mowing a lawn.

I brought home enough food to enjoy at suppertime if still hungry.

Tomorrow, the Western Mountains Senior College will sponsor a program by Betsey Foster. The program is on Meditation, Qigong and T'ai Chi. The program will be held at the Bethel Congregational Church. The public is invited and admission is free. Call Rosabelle Tiff at 824-2053 for information.

The second program is entitled "10 Steps for Growing Your Healthy Food" with a discussion led by Barbara Murphy an Extension Educator from the Oxford County Office. April 14 is the date for this program at the church and also no charge to attend. Call Rosabelle if you need more information.

On Monday Betty Smith and I drove to Dr. Sendzick's in Waterford. My friend, Darlene, was working and we visited briefly before leaving. We had supper at Melby's store and returned to Bethel in the early evening.

The Bear River Trading Post has fishing gear. Smelt fishing will start very soon. Stop by for coffee, Maine Italian sandwiches and snack



THS FBLA—Telstar's Chapter of FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) participated in the Maine State Leadership Conference in South Portland recently. Twenty-nine students attended the event, which included such activities as business related testing, business & college-prep workshops, motivational speakers, leadership and spirit activities. They took home 15 awards, including the "Market Share Award", which is the largest percentage of students in FBLA for an FBLA chapter compared with school enrollment. Telstar will be represented by two students on the Maine State Executive FBLA Board for the next school year—Victoria Forkus as the Vice President and Jean Lawrence as Parliamentarian. Pictured are, front: Amie Davis, Sthefania Soave, Kallie Brown, Jamie Steven, Molly Keane, Naomi Ellsworth, Gail Lavorgna, Victoria Forkus. Middle: Matthew Keane, Samantha Tibbets, Megan Bonney, Shawn Nanthensen, Jean Lawrence, Advisor-Mrs. Bennett. Back: Tyler Aldrich, Carin Donachie, Nic Kingsbury, Jen Martin, Daniel Vaughn, Josh Bellinger, Errol Silver, Simon Smith, Elek Pew, Morgan Lee, Emily DeCarolis, Rick James, Dylan Coolidge, Adam Mahar, Ben Lewis (absent: Thomas Conroy). Many students earned awards for business and leadership skill testing, including: Megan Bonney: 2nd in Business Communications (with a \$750 scholarship to Johnson & Whales University), and 1st place in Management Information Systems; Simon Smith: 3rd place Business Law and 2nd in Public Speaking II; Jean Lawrence: 1st place Parliamentarian Procedures; Errol Silver: 3rd place Computer Problem Solving; Thomas Conroy: 3rd place Cyber Securities and 1st in Technology Concepts; Adam Mahar: 2nd place Database Design & Application and 3rd Intro to Technology Concepts; Nic Kingsbury: 3rd place Networking Concepts; Molly Keane: 2nd place Spirit Poster; Jamie Steven: 1st place Spirit Centerpiece Morgan Lee: 3rd place Spirit Scavenger Hunt. For more information about this group go to: <http://sites.google.com/site/mrsbennett7502/thsf.b.l.a>

food. Call 824-2327 if you have questions.

## Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15, morning worship at 10:30, evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 5:30 is youth group. This week, April 7-11, is Missions Conference with Brother Robbie Morrison. Wednesday-Friday they start at 6:30, Saturday Pastor's Fellowship at 11:30 and evening service at 6 p.m. Sunday at the regular times. April 18 at 4:30 p.m. will be quarterly business meeting.

A reminder: do not litter

and thank you to WES second-grader Emma Kruse for picking up litter at Lake Christopher's boat launch.

Today, April 8, is the library program at Whitman Memorial Library at 2 p.m. Kenneth Ruff will be guest speaker. He is from the Bryant Pond Fire Department and will tell about smoke detectors for the hard of hearing. Public is invited at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met on Thursday at the Fire Department with a delicious dinner put on by the DUV and very interesting program by the 4-H camp on the lake. Next meeting will be at the Grange Hall on May 6 with dinner by the Grange and program by WES music students.

The Woodstock Extension will meet on Wednesday, April 21 at the Town Conference Room at 1:30 p.m. Program: plant containers and

tasting party.

Judith Grover 17 DUVCW will meet at Alice Hoyt's on Monday, April 12, for a regular meeting.

### Historical Society

The Historical Society Museum is at the very heart of the community. It reflects the character of Woodstock perfectly. Many of its exhibits relate to the town. The April meeting will be held on April 10 at the Town Conference Room with Italian sandwich supper at 6 with meeting and program following. Starting in May, meetings will be held at the museum. Do attend and enjoy their many exhibits this spring and summer. Nearly everyone is inspired and pleased with the museum. So come help them have a good year.

Larry Billings recently heard about the passing of one of the most extraordinary

Christians he ever knew, Mrs. Joyce Malone. She was in her 90s and besides a long earthly life, will surely have her reward in heaven. Larry has read various scripture passages in celebration of Easter. Larry recently gave his mother a collector's doll.

## Waterford

By Rockie Graham

We are well into April now and the weather has been warm and sunny most of the days. Passover and Easter passed and both enjoyed almost summer-like weather. We watched the grandchildren run around the yard in an Easter egg hunt. It was great fun. They each had a different strategy. Their bags got so heavy that they left them with their parents and just collected the eggs and brought them to the bag. The parents

enjoyed eating the chocolate in the plastic eggs.

Our house building is at a standstill because our loan has not come through. We hope that will change very soon. We are developing strategies for doing things more cheaply. Will let you know how we make out. We appreciate our staff and some of them are even willing to work without pay. David is doing better and he will be able to help soon.

I appreciate everyone who says they read and enjoy my column. Thank you. That helps me keep writing it. Anyone who has something they'd like me to put in may reach me at 739-9115.

This is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. To that end, REACH is running the Clothesline Project again and a Speak Out and two productions of the Vaginal Monologues, the first on April 9 at 7 p.m. and the second on April

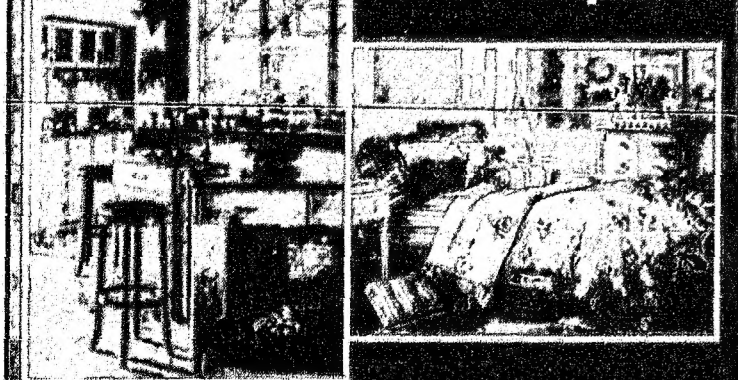
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11 at 2 p.m. Both are in the Forum at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. Tickets are available at Books N Things in Norway and at REACH. I hope to make the afternoon performance. Any-one want to join me?

I am off to get my back worked on. Have a great day and enjoy the sun and warmth while it lasts.

## Locke Mills

By Lorraine Larson

The ice is nearly out of the water out back and I have already seen many species of duck checking it out. Love the spring!

Haven't got much news this week. My new furnace is doing well and it seems good not to smell that faint oil odor and dirty air that I got from the old one. The people that installed it worked quickly and it was ready for use at the end of the day. They had to come back next day to hook up the new oil tank but that only took a couple hours.

My knees are still giving me a hard time and no doubt will never get back to where I would like them. I am not like the one-horse shay that fell apart in one day after a hundred years. I am falling apart one thing at a time, which my doctor amusingly remarked on last Monday when I went for my three-month check-up. Good thing I have a sense of humor!

## Andover

By Melinda Averill

Hello Andover friends. There was a big turnout for the egg hunt last Saturday. Thanks to all who showed up, the more the merrier for the kids!

Please keep Robert "Bob" Hutchins in your get well wishes and prayers. He has been in and out of the hospital recently, thought that he might be home for Easter but didn't make it.

Summer ball signups for T-Ball, Co-Ed Farm Team Baseball and LL Girls Softball are

underway. AES kids brought home signup forms on Friday. Signups are being held until April 16. Forms can be picked up at the Town Office, Andover Library, Andover School, and the stores. Please return them to the Rec. Committee at the Town office or Andover School. Team determination will be based on signup numbers.

For kids interested in Babe Ruth Baseball, LL Baseball, or Farm Team Softball, Andover kids can play on teams through the Greater Rumford Community Center. Any registration fees assessed to play at the GRCC will be reimbursed through the Andover Recreation Committee. Coaching for T-Ball and LL Softball is needed. Keith Smith and Bob Chase will be coaching Farm Team baseball.

Celebrating a birthday this week: Lacey Gammon on the 10th, Wade McPherson on the 11th, Mandy Davis on the 13th, Lindsey Farrington and Elijah Salatin on the 14th.

This coming Monday, April 12, the School Board will hold its meeting at the Andover School. Andover residents please try and attend to show your support for keeping the school open. It will be at 7 p.m. in the gym.

A reminder that Tuesday, April 13, will be the Telstar softball team's next fundraiser, the Harlem Rockets Basketball and comedy show, at the High School. Doors open at 5 p.m. or you may get tickets in advance at any of our schools (Andover also).

I would like to thank the Andover families who donated their bottles and cans toward the softball trip, it was greatly appreciated.

Enjoy the weekend.

## Western Mountains Senior College

If you want to learn more about the "Movement Basis of Traditional Chinese Medicine: Meditation, Qigong and Tai Chi," be sure to attend Betsey Foster's introductory program on Friday, April 9, from 10 to 11:15 a.m. at the Bethel Congregational Church. The public is invited



**TELSTAR TEACHERS WIN ECO-EXCELLENCE AWARDS**—Melissa Prescott, a teacher at Telstar Middle School, and Sarah Savage, a teacher at Telstar High School, were honored for their contributions to preserving local ecology with the 2010 eco-Excellence Award for Andover, given annually by ecomaine. They were nominated by Telstar Middle School Principal Sandra Schroeder for their "G.O.T. Farms?" collaborative service-learning project. G.O.T. Farms? is a THS/TMS joint project that raises awareness of eating local foods from sustainable farms, using renewable energy sources, and organic farms. Students and local artists sold their art to raise funds for a greenhouse project and an outside garden. In addition, students filmed a documentary to educate the community, which can be viewed at gotfarms.wordpress.com. Prescott is shown here with Recycling Committee chair Troy Moon. Each winner received a framed award and a fleece jacket made from recycled plastic. The recognition luncheon also included an exchange of ideas among the eco-Excellence winners and a tour of ecomaine facilities. ecomaine is a municipally-owned non-profit organization, which owns and operates the only single-sort recycling facility in Maine, a landfill/ashfill site and a waste-to-energy plant that produces electricity.

and admission is free.

Two important programs this spring sponsored by To Your Health aim to help one learn more about "Good Food: Buying and Growing Locally." They will be held at the Bethel Congregational Church, Church Street, Bethel.

Barbara Murphy, Extension Educator, University of Maine Cooperative Extension, Oxford County Office, will present "10 Steps for Growing Your Healthy Food" on Wednesday, April 14, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. This program is expected to be helpful to new as well as seasoned gardeners. Barbara said, "Successful vegetable gardening isn't necessarily easy or intuitive. Come and learn some tried and true techniques that will help you achieve a bountiful harvest."

## SAD44 TEACHERS HONORED



**WES TEACHER RECEIVES AWARD**—Karen Wilson, a fifth-grade teacher at the Woodstock Elementary School, was recognized last week for her leadership in championing the Let's Go! 5-2-1-0 Goes to School program at WES. Let's Go! 5-2-1-0 Goes to School is a program of the Barbara Bush Children's Hospital. The program is aimed at increasing healthy eating and physical activity in the school environment. The program endorses the "5-2-1-0" message, which emphasizes the importance of: 5 OR MORE servings of fruits and vegetables; 2 hours or less of recreational screen time; 1 hour or more of physical activity; 0 sugary drinks, more water and low-fat milk. Pupils at WES exercise during breaks in class, while school lessons often incorporate nutrition. Wilson said that since the program began several years ago, students have developed healthier habits and more participate in sports. Wilson received the "Redy Award" for her work at an Auburn conference on the program. About 150 Maine teachers attended.

growing vegetables for those who do not have the time or space for a full garden. Carole, who has a BS in Plant and Soil Science from the University of Vermont, has been in business for 25 years growing seasonal plants, bedding plants, hanging baskets, herbs and vegetables.

Jackie Cressy, Maine Master Florist, Pooh Corner Farms, will discuss the container gardening method of

also cover what to look out for in the grocery stores, food coops, and many additional resources. She says she "loves real food — reading about it, growing it, preparing it and sharing it." Jackie has a Master's Degree in Environmental Studies and serves on the Bethel Conservation Commission.

These programs are sponsored as a community service by WMSC To Your Health with the collaboration of the Bethel Family Health Center and SAD44 Continuing Education. The programs are open to the public and admission is free. For more information, call Rosabelle Tift

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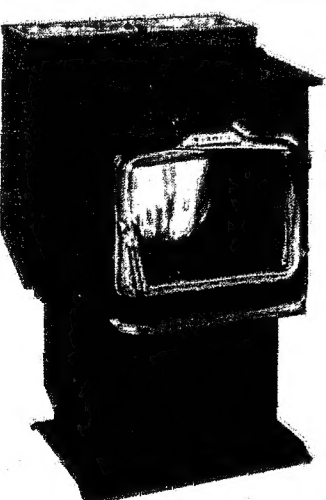
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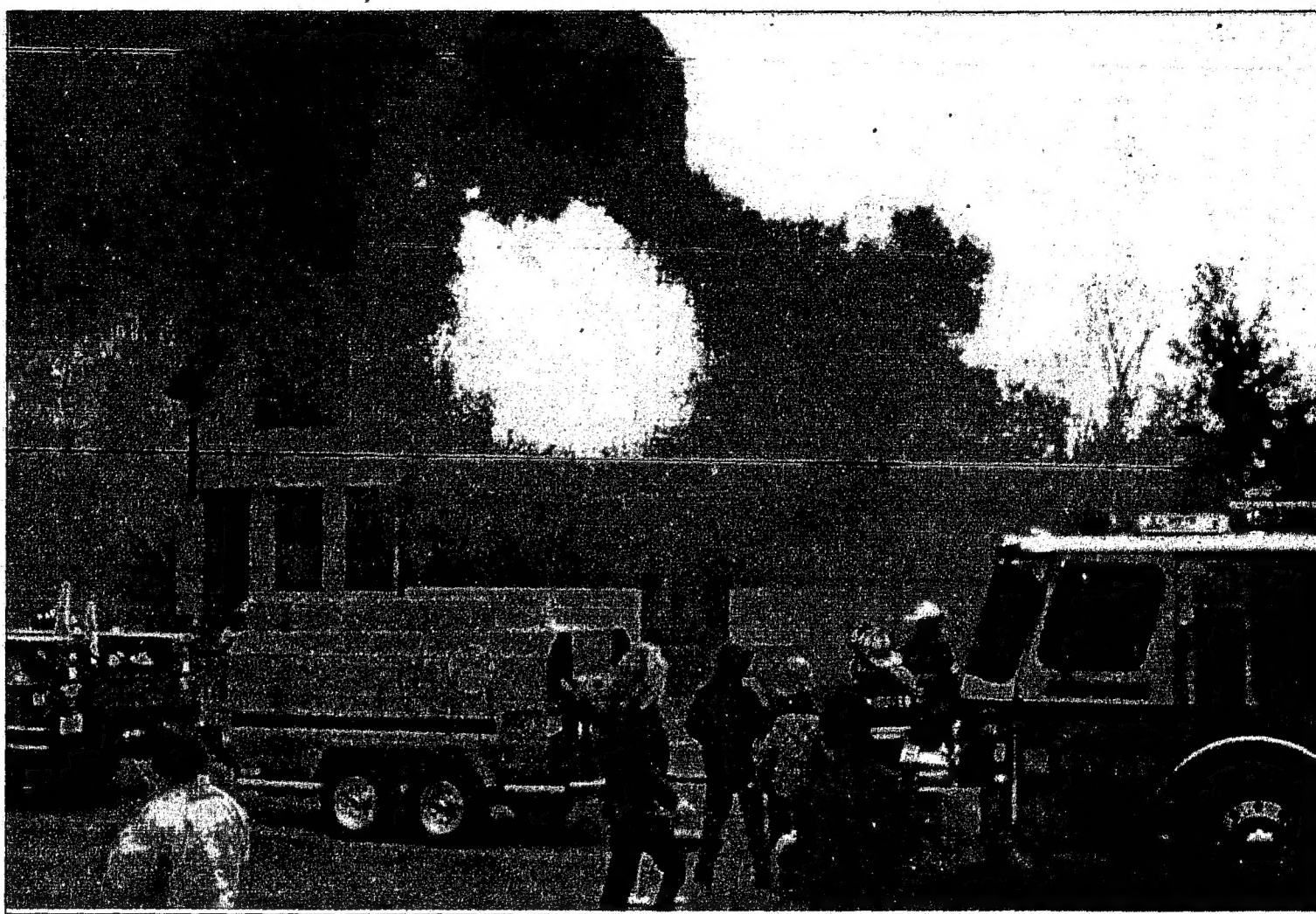
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**A PLANNED BURN**—The Andover and Mexico fire departments recently burned this donated house on the East B Hill Road as a practice exercise. At left is Andover Fire Chief Rob Dixon. (Photos: Paula Lee)

### Oxford County Republicans

Please join us Tuesday, April 13, at the Old Canton Municipal Building in Canton. Social Hour begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost of the meal is \$7.50. The Old Canton Municipal Building is located on Route 140, just past the intersection of Route 108 and Route 140 in Canton, Maine. The special guest speaker is Bill Beardsley, 2010 gubernatorial candidate. For more information, contact Loretta Mikols at 875-2229 or republican@earthlink.net.

The Woodstock Republican Committee is holding their Fifth Biennial Candidates Forum on Saturday, April 24, at the American Legion Hall, Jackson-Silver Post 68 on Gore Road in Locke Mills. State and local candidates will speak and all the gubernatorial candidates will participate in a question and answer forum. Tickets are \$18 and will be available at the regular monthly meeting on April 13 or by contacting George Hooper at 665-2970 or hisani@roadrunner.com.

### Oxford County Democrats

The Oxford County Democrats had an exciting week including the appearance by President Obama in Portland on April 1, following the Field Trip to the Statehouse on March 30. Both events had excellent participation from Oxford County Democrats.

The Field Trip included recognition in the House and Senate Chambers during the sessions, a visit with Senate President Libby Mitchell organized by Senator Bruce Bryant and a visit with Speaker Hannah Pingree organized by Representatives Terry Hayes, Matt Peterson, Sheryl Briggs and Helen Rankin. The group of 13 met with Attorney General Janet Mills and Secretary of State Matt Dunlap in the Attorney General's office and received a briefing from both officials on the functions of their offices. The day concluded with a visit with Governor John Baldacci at which the Governor shared stories of his visits to Oxford County and discussed the passage of the budget that had just been approved in the House and Senate. The attendees on the

trip included individuals from Norway, Greenwood, Buckfield, Rumford, Peru, Bethel, and Dixfield.

Many from Oxford County made the trip to Portland on Wednesday to volunteer as helpers for the visit of President Obama, or to wait in line for many hours for tickets to Thursday's event. Volunteers included Jimmy McHugh of Mexico, Henry Hamilton of Oxford, Bob Kirchoff of South Paris, and a partial list of attendees sighted in the crowd included Cathy Newell of Greenwood, Linda Ray and Chloe Bergman-Ray of West Paris, Marcel Polak and Emily Ecker of Woodstock, David Dexter of Norway, Lanette Bryant of Dixfield, Rep. Sheryl Briggs and granddaughter Grace of Mexico, Rep. Matt Peterson of Rumford, Rep. Terry Hayes of Buckfield, Rep. Helen Rankin of Hiram. Senate 13 candidate Laura Ordway of Bridgton also attended. Rev. Anne Stanley of Paris gave the Invocation and was accompanied by her husband, David. The crowd of 2,500, plus an overflow outside that included several Oxford County folks, greeted the President warmly in contrast to the few hundred protesters located across the street from the Portland Expo.

The Oxford County Democrats will hold a Lasagna Dinner and Meet the Candidates Event at the Locke Mills Legion on Tuesday, April 20, with the social hour beginning at 5:30, and dinner at 6. Following the meal there will be a Gubernatorial Forum focusing on issues of special interest to young people. Confirmed candidates include Libby Mitchell, John Richardson, Dinner tickets are \$10, and a host committee is being formed to keep the ticket price modest and provide for a successful fundraiser. Tickets may be reserved in advance by calling County Chair Cathy Newell at 875-2116, and will be sold at the door. Advance reservations are greatly appreciated to assist in planning.

### Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

Several historians will speak on the topic, "The Good Old Days: They Were Terrible," at a symposium, sponsored by the Bethel Historical Society, to be held on Saturday, April 24, in the Dr. Mo-

ses Mason House Exhibit Hall at 14 Broad Street from 2 to 4 p.m.

It is a popular belief that the years between the end of the Civil War and the early years of the 20th century were "the good old days." They were good for only a privileged few. Farmers, laborers, and the ordinary breadwinner lived a life of unrelenting hardship. In addition, these were years of uncontrolled air and water pollution, dangerous factories, unhealthy housing, grueling toil, extensive political corruption, unsafe food and drugs, frequent epidemics, inferior schools, and much more. This event is free (donations accepted) and open to anyone interested in learning more about this time in the American experience.

William D. Andrews, president of the Bethel Historical Society and chair of the Board of Trustees, announced recently that the Board had approved a resolution establishing an endowed lecture fund in honor of Stanley Russell Howe, Ph.D., longtime executive director of the society, who stepped down on Jan. 1 to become the society's associate director and director of education and research. This change is expected to allow

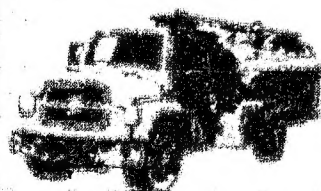
Howe to pursue several research and writing projects in addition to his responsibilities at the society.

In making the announcement, Andrews cited Howe's "diligent" work over thirty-five years in bringing "important scholars and speakers to the community. Creating a special lecture in his name seemed an appropriate way to honor him," he added.

The goal for funding the endowment has been set at \$10,000 and \$5,000 has already been raised or pledged from friends, as well as former and current trustees. Another \$5,000 is needed to complete the endowment by the end of June 2010.

Howe is a Bethel native, whose roots go back to the area in the 1780s. A history major at the University of Southern Maine's Gorham Campus, he holds a M.A. in American History from the University of Connecticut and a Ph.D. in Canadian History from the University of Maine. Very active professionally over his thirty-five years of society leadership, he is currently book review editor for Maine History and frequently consulted as a humanities scholar for the Maine, New Hampshire and

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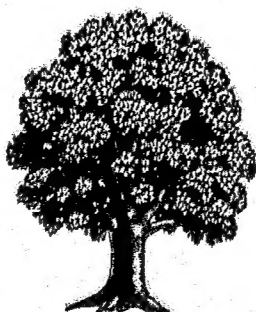
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**A SUCCESSFUL HUNT**—Local and visiting children joined in an Easter egg hunt Sunday morning at the Bethel Inn & Country Club. After gathering up eggs from around the outside of the Inn, they posed with the Easter Bunny on the lawn. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

New England commissions. He has taught history at numerous college and university campuses and served on university graduate committees. As a scholar and public historian, he has lectured and written widely. His latest book, "Bethel, Maine: A Brief History," was published in 2009.

Anyone wishing to make gifts to this fund should send them to the society at P.O. Box 12, Bethel, Maine 04217. All contributions are tax deductible as allowable by law.

### Roxbury ATV Riders

The Roxbury ATV Riders have begun their pre-riding season. There is a lot of work to be done before the trails open. Right now all our trails are closed for mud season and are scheduled to open May 22 unless the ground dries up earlier. It will be updated on our website: [www.roxburyatvriderclub.com](http://www.roxburyatvriderclub.com).

We lost a major bridge and either have to fix it or make a new trail. As the ground dries, club members will be able to go out and check all trails and see what needs to be done and put up all needed trail signs. The members do a lot to make sure the trails are in good shape and safe for all to ride on.

We also have an ATV Safety Course on April 17 at the Roxbury Town Office from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. All children 10 to under 16 must have a parent or guardian with them. There is no cost for this course and it is a must for children under 16, if they want to ride on the trails. The club will provide lunch. For more information, you may call 545-2715.

We are also running our annual 50/50; tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. All of the previous winners have won between

\$1,300 and \$2,800, so don't lose out on a chance to win. Again, you can call the 545-2715 number or see a club member.

This year, \$500 of the club's profit will go to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, which will be presented to the Cambridge Cruisers at their annual Corn Field Ride. You want to have fun riding, that is a great night ride and a delicious pig roast. All their proceeds go to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

The club has already been to the Pine Tree Sportsman Show and will be at the Augusta Show on the 3rd of April.

Our first official meeting of the year will be April 10 at 7 p.m. at the home of Mike Worthley, 1162 Roxbury Notch Road, Roxbury. Hope to see you there!

### Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

"The Maine Fishing Guide" is a new, online service that will have anglers hooked!

Designed by the Fisheries Division of the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, "The Maine Fishing Guide" is an online tool to assist anglers with locating Maine's sportfish locations, and to give them ideas to plan their next outdoor fishing adventure. This tool is unique among the states and makes Maine a leader in providing information to anglers in a unique, useable format.

"Maine is a world-class fishing destination, and the Maine Fishing Guide shows anglers why and where" said John Boland, director of IF&W's Fisheries Division. "This service is a great way for people to seek — and then explore — locations throughout the state that they may not have heard about."

The Maine Fishing Guide

is configured on GoogleEarth software, which users may download onto their computer from the guide's home page. It features "layers" of information, such as where to find various species of fish, lake depths, conservation lands, IF&W facilities, towns, public boat launches, sporting camps, campgrounds, fishing shops, and Registered Maine Guides. Anglers can pick which layer to place on the map, then zoom in or click on the icons that appear on the screen to get more information. New layers will be added as information becomes available or based on requests from the angling community.

"This GoogleEarth application allows anglers to readily locate principal lake and pond fisheries for coldwater species and bass, as well as the presence of other sportfish species identified as principal fisheries," said Jim Pellerin, an IF&W Regional Fisheries Biologist based in Gray, who is the guide's primary designer. Chris Halstead of the Maine Department of Environmental Protection assisted with the development of the application.

The Maine Fishing Guide not only uses information from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, it shares with anglers information from other state agencies and private entities that comes in handy when planning a fishing trip. Among the providers are the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, Maine Department of Conservation, the University of Maine, the Maine Aquatic Biodiversity Project, Maine Professional Guides Association, U.S. Geological Survey, campgrounds and fishing shops.

"This new application provides an excellent way for the traveling angler to learn about not only the resources in the area but the services

that they might use like Registered Maine Guides," said Don Kleiner, executive director of The Maine Professional Guides Association. "Congratulations to IF&W for taking the initiative on this project."

The Maine Fishing Guide can be found by selecting the link at [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com) or go directly to [www.maine.gov/ifw/fishing/fishingGuide](http://www.maine.gov/ifw/fishing/fishingGuide).

### White Mountain National Forest

Spring burning in the White Mountain National Forest will begin this month as ground and weather conditions become right for safe and effective burning. John Neely, White Mountain National Forest fire technician, is keeping a close eye on the weather and moisture levels in the various sites around the forest.

"We have a site-specific burn plan for each area that describes the exact conditions we need before we'll ignite a fire. We wait for the right wind, weather, and moisture levels that will allow us to burn safely. The burn plans also spell out all the details for the kinds of equipment and the number of trained fire-fighters needed at the site, and coordination with local fire departments."

The Forest Service plans to burn areas in the New Hampshire towns of Ben-ton, Easton, Ellsworth, Conway, Berlin, Randolph, Milan Gor-



**SPRING IN HIGH GEAR**—Wende Gray took this photo of crocuses in full bloom in Bethel.

ham, and in the Maine towns of Gilead and Albany Township.

The burn sites range from 3 to 50 acres in size. Up to 170 acres of the 796,000-acre National Forest is planned for burning this spring.

Prescribed fire is used to meet multiple resource objectives, including the maintenance of wildlife openings in the forest. These openings provide grassy meadows or shrubby areas, adding to the diversity and complexity of habitat essential for some forest dwellers.

"Periodic burning of these sites helps to maintain habitat for feeding, nesting, and cover for many wildlife species," says Leighlan Prout, White Mountain National Forest Wildlife Program Leader. Burning also reduces the amount of accumulated forest fuels such as dead leaves, brush, and downed wood, lowering the risk for a wildfire. Prescribed fire can also prepare a seedbed on the forest floor for re-generation of certain tree species such as oak and pine. The burns are ignited and controlled by wild-land firefighters with up-to-date training and gear. Firefighters stay prepared for assignments here and out west if needed for wildfire suppression.

Neely notes that most of the burn sites are well away

from populated areas and will cause little if any inconvenience to National Forest visitors. For more information call John Neely at White Mountain National Forest Headquarters, (603) 536.6100 or your local Ranger District.

### REACH

REACH, the Sexual Assault Center serving Oxford County and the towns of Bridgton and Harrison, is honored to announce two local performances of Eve Ensler's groundbreaking show, "The Vagina Monologues." The performances will take place at the Forum, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, on Friday, April 9 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, April 11, at 2 p.m. Ticket sales will support REACH's mission to end sexual violence, with 10 percent of the proceeds going to the V-Day City of Joy for women and girls in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Last year, in its efforts to end sexual abuse and assault, REACH provided 275 risk reduction and awareness presentations to over 5,000 students, parents and staff in pre-Kindergarten through college. In addition, REACH's outreach efforts resulted in 59 presentations to 2,400 profes-

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6:30 p.m. Mondays - **Hillmen Barbershop Chorus** rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005.

Mondays, **Tops program** in Andover at First Congregational Church. Weigh-in 5:30 to 6 p.m. meetings 6 to 6:30 p.m. Annual Tops membership: \$26. FMI: Tina (557-8804) or Sharon (392-4351).

Tuesdays, 10 to 11 a.m. - **Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families** (ACOA or ACA) group meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across from the Commons). All welcome. FMI call 743-0583.

Tuesdays 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. thru May - **Family Playtime** at Norway Memorial Library for parents/caregivers and children 1 thru 4. Drop-in program. FMI: 743-5308.

Every Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m. **The Yet To be Named Banjo Club** practices Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

Wednesdays 6 to 7:30 p.m. - **People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction** may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: call Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (all calls confidential).

Wednesday nights - **TOPS**, take off pounds sensibly, at Bethel Alliance Church from 5:30 to 6 p.m. (weigh in) and meeting from 6 to 6:30 p.m. All welcome. FMI: call 824-3288.

Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m. - **Cross Country Quilters** of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p.quilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m. - **Woodstock Historical Society** meeting at the Museum.

7 p.m. - **Bethel Snow Twisters**, 208 Walkers Mills Road, meetings First Sunday, thru April.

Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m. - **Story Time for Children** at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with Michele Perejda. FMI: call 824-2520.

6 p.m. on 3rd Thursday monthly - **Support Group for Parents of disabled children** at Crescent Park School. FMI: call Tabaitha Steward at 836-2055.

## Thru Monday, April 19

6:15 to 7:45 a.m. and 2:30 to 7 p.m. - **Winter into Spring Walk 100 Miles in 100 Days** - at Telstar High School sponsored by River Valley Healthy Communities. Walk with a friend or colleague. Pass in record sheets at end of 100 days. FMI, registration materials and more details: call Carol Emery (364-7408) or e-mail rvhcc@gwi.net.

## Library Church Services

### Hours

**Andover Library:** Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm. Tel: 392-4841

**Bethel Library:** Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1-5 Saturday, 9-1. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 am October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. Tel: 824-2520.

**Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill:** Tuesday-Friday 11:30-5:30; Saturday 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 pm. Tel. 743-2980

**Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond:** Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday 1:30-5; Thursday 1:30-7.

**West Paris Library, West Paris:** Monday 1:30-6; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2. Patty Makley, Librarian. Tel: 674-2004

**Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover:** Wednesday, 9-3; Thursday, 5-8; Saturday, 9-noon.

**Upton Library:** Tuesday 1-4 (Storyhour 1-2); Saturday 9-noon.

### Items for the Community Calendar

may be brought to The Bethel Citizen Office, E-mailed to news@bethelcitizen.com or faxed 824-2426

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## SUPPORT SERVICES

### ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

### AA MEETINGS

Bethel Freedom Group's Open Discussion Meeting, Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1.

Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's 12 Step/Traditions Meeting, Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Open Discussion Meeting, Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

### ADDICTION HELP

Narconon, a nonprofit public benefit organization that specializes in helping people with drug or alcohol addictions offers FREE assessments and more than 11,000 local referrals through the 800 line. Drug addiction can be overcome and Narconon can help. Call (800) 556-8885 or visit www.drugrehab.net.

### Mondays thru April 26

7 to 8:30 p.m. - **Waltz, Jitterbug, Foxtrot, Rumba, Tango and Polka** taught by Nancy Willard at Locke Mills Legion Hall. Price: \$25 pp. Singles welcome. Register first class. FMI: Nancy 665-2788.

### Thursday, April 8

2 p.m. - **Whitman Memorial Library**, Bryant Pond: Kenneth Ruff will explain smoke detectors for the hard of hearing and other activities of the Bryant Pond Fire Department. No charge and light refreshments.

7 to 10 p.m. - **Jones Dance Band** playing old-fashioned dance music at South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. \$5. Lunch counter open.

### Thursday and Friday, April 8 and 9

**Viva Quetzal** hosted by Mahosuc Arts Council as part of Gould Academy Performing Arts Series April 8, 7 p.m. in Bingham Auditorium at Gould. On the 9th at 10:25 a.m. and 1 p.m. the group performs at Telstar Regional Middle/High schools and district home schoolers. Tickets: \$10 adults/\$6 seniors. Free to students.

### Friday, April 9

8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. - **Bethel Area Non-Profit Collaborative Task Force** forum at Bethel Inn Resort. Anyone involved in a Bethel Area Non-Profit organization invited. Lunch included. Free. Registrations by Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce (824-2282). Space limited.

10 to 11:15 a.m. - **"Movement Basis of Tradition Chinese Medicine: Medication, Qigong and Tai Chi,"** introductory program by Betsey Foster at West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Sponsored by Western Mountains Senior College. Free. Public invited. FMI: Peter Gartner 665-2181.

**Telstar Middle School Activity Night/Dance.** Food, fun, music, open gym, games w/prizes. More info will come home with your middle schooler.

7 p.m. - **"The Vagina Monologues"** a performance at the Forum, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, directed by Amanda Huotari. Tickets: \$12 advance, \$15 at door, available Books N Things, 430 Main Street, Norway; Books N Things, 130 Main Street, Bethel; REACH office, 1 East Main Street, South Paris.

### Saturday, April 10

5 p.m. - **Ticket Auction** (Chinese Auction) hosted by Telstar World Language Club. Doors open 3 p.m. Donations appreciated (services, homemade goods, etc.). FMI: Merrie Lee Ojeda at Telstar High School (824-2136).

5 p.m. - **Waterford World's Fair Public Suppers (2)** at Congregational Hall, Elm Street, Mechanic Falls and Harrison Community Calvary Church, Route 117, Harrison. Menu: beans,

hot dogs, casseroles, bread, dessert and beverage (\$7 adults, \$3.50 children).

5 to 9:30 p.m. - **Spring Fling Smorgasbord** at South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Supper 5 to 6, Dance 6:30 to 9:30. Tickets: Adults: supper only \$7, dance only \$5. Music by Jones Band.

7 to 10 p.m. - **Swingin Bears Square Dance Club** mainstream/pus level square dance, Oxford Hills Middle School, Pine Street. \$6. Door prizes, 50/50 and refreshments. FMI: Eleanor Herrick (782-4050) or Sue Corning (577-6894).

### Sunday, April 11

2 p.m. - **"The Vagina Monologues"** a performance at the Forum, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, directed by Amanda Huotari. Tickets: \$12 advance, \$15 at door, available Books N Things, 430 Main Street, Norway; Books N Things, 130 Main Street, Bethel; REACH office, 1 East Main Street, South Paris.

### Tuesday, April 13

5 to 9:30 p.m. - **Supper/Dance** at American Legion, Locke Mills with music by Richard Felt Orchestra. Doors open 4 p.m. Adults \$10, children \$3.

5:30 a.m. - **Oxford County Republicans** meeting, with social hour (5:30 p.m.), dinner (6:30 p.m.) at Old Canton Municipal Building, Route 140 (past intersection Route 108 and Route 140 Canton). Bill Beardsley, gubernatorial candidate, guest speaker. FMI: Loretta Mikols 875-2229 or republican@earthlink.net.

7 p.m. - **Harlem Rockets vs. Telstar High School** and **Crescent Park School** staff. Fun for all ages at Telstar. Doors open 5 p.m. Refreshments including chili, hot dogs, grilled cheese, candy, soda, chips, big hot pretzels, baked goods, etc. Come to dinner and meet the famous Rockets. Tickets: advance at Telstar, Crescent Park, Woodstock and Andover elementary schools, 824-2920 or at door. All proceeds benefit Lady Rebels' trip to North Carolina.

### Wednesday, April 14

11 a.m. - **Bethel Senior Citizens Club** dinner/meeting at Funky Red Barn, Bethel. Reservations must be made before April 12 by calling Nancy (824-3350) or Arlene (824-3877). Dinner: \$8. Speaker: Rodney Abbott.

4:30 to 6 p.m. - **"Ten Steps for Growing Your Healthy Food,"** a To Your Health Program by Barbara Murphy, Extension Educator, UM Cooperative Extension, Oxford County at West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel.

### Thursday, April 15

**Maine Wildlife Park**, Route 26, Gray, opens. FMI: 657-4977, visit www.maine-wildlife.com or www.mefishwildlife.com or Facebook.

### ALBANY

**Congregational Church** - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

### ANDOVER

**First Congregational Church** - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761.

**Calvary Bible Church** - Pastor Ken Wagstaff. Sunday School 9:30 - 10:30; Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

### BETHEL

**Bethel Alliance Church** - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor; Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 824-2289.

**Church of the Nazarene** - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. morning worship. Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info., 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 FMI.

**Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows** - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Revs. Andrew Dubois and Alfred Jacques. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-2933.

**Episcopal House Church** - Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. For details: 824-3932

**West Parish Congregational** - Rev. Virginia Rickman. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m. FMI call 824-0550.

**United Methodist** - Geoffrey Gross, Pastor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday

School, 9:30 a.m.

**West Bethel Union** - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

**Pleasant Valley Bible** - Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9am; Worship Service, 10am; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30pm; Small group Bible study, Tuesday 6pm; Awana Club (3-6 grades), Sunday 5-7 pm. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

**Church of Christ** - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. 824-3577 FMI.

**Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship:** Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call 824-8939.

### EAST STONEHAM

**Oxford County United Parish Churches** in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible Study at 9:15am.

### GORHAM, NH

**Assembly of God** - Pastor Paul Levegin. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 603-466-2851.

**Gorham Congregational Church** - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship and church school at 10:30am. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136.

### LOCKE MILLS

**Locke Mills Union** - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9

a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

### MEXICO

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints** - 265 Main Street. Worship Service Sundays at 10am. Pres. Peter Beeckel. 364-5881.

### NEWRY

**Sunday River Christian Ministry:** Interdenominational worship with the Rev. Don Coverdale every Sunday 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at White Cap, on the second floor. For more information, 824-5896 (recording).

### NORWAY/PARIS

**First Church of Christ, Scientist** - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (corner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824-4099 FMI or ride.

**Trinity Lutheran Church** - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9am; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

**North Paris Federation** - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m.. Pastor Bruce Tyner, 674-2968. Singers: separation third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m..

**Oxford Hills Friends** (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

**Christ Episcopal Church** - 35 Paris St., Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug.; Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more info.

### First Baptist Church of Paris

On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

**St. Catherine's** - Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass.

**Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway** - 11am worship. (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

### OXFORD

**St. Mary's** - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. **Our Lady of Ransom:** Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

### RUMFORD

**St. Barnabas Episcopal Church** - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary. **Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John** - 125 Main Ave., The Revs. Andrew Dubois and Alfred Jacques. Saturday Mass, 4 pm; Sunday Mass, 9:30 am; Weekday Mass, 8 a.m. Office 364-4556.

### RUMFORD CENTER

**Praise Assembly of God** - Pastor Justin Thacker. Adult and teen Sunday school 9am. Sunday worship service at 10am. Sunday prayer meeting at 6pm. Wednesday night bible study and youth group 7pm. 170 Andover Road. FMI call 364-3856 or see our website at www.praiseassemblyofgod.net.

### RUMFORD POINT

**Rumford Point Church** - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra Withey.

### SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

### WEST PARIS

**Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris** - 9 a.m. worship. Rev. Richard Beal. 674-2143.

**West Paris Baptist** - Sunday Worship 9:15 am., Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45am, Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25am. Sunday evening worship 7:00 p.m.; Monday Diaconette meeting first Monday of the month; Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 9:30-11:30am, Adult Choir Wednesday evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7pm, church business meetings the third Wednesday of the month.

**West Paris Congregational Church** - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

### WOODSTOCK

**Bryant Pond Baptist** - Pastor Larry Hodgkins. Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer & bible study 6:30 p.m.; Fridays: Youth Group 7-12th grade, 8:30pm **Woodstock Seventh day Adventist** - Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

**Pinkhook Meeting House** (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

**Mahosuc Mountain Friends** - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. Call Dick Stratton at 824-8669 FMI.

### CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3:00pm. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm during stormy weather.

### EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-12pm.

**The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center** offers assistance to individuals or families with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

### HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and the Stratford Ave. Family Center in Rumford. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 744-4031 or call 869-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 8a-4p. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

### MENTAL ILLNESS

**Beacon House Social Club**, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

### POST PARTUM

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-8:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

### REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

### VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Career Center in Rumford (364-3718), second Thursday 9-12 noon; Lewiston (785-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Mon. thru Fri., Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15pm. Tel. 392-4441.

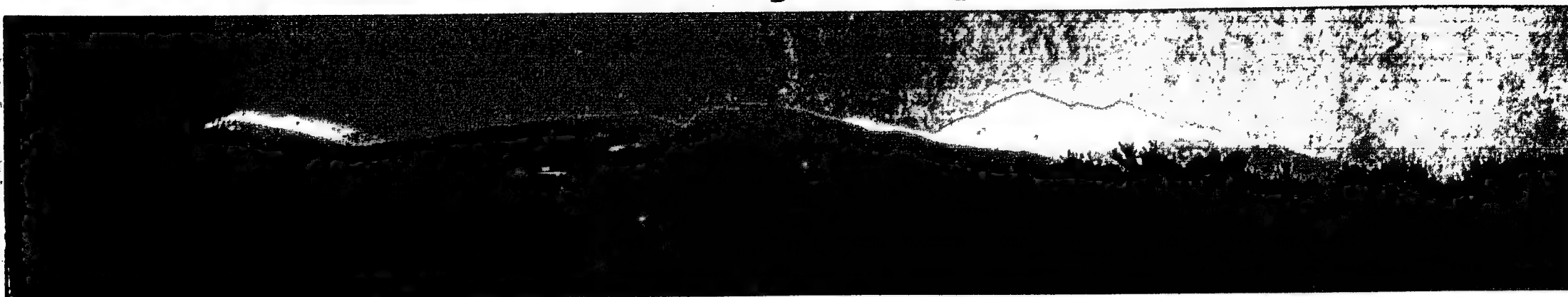
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# Community Snapshots



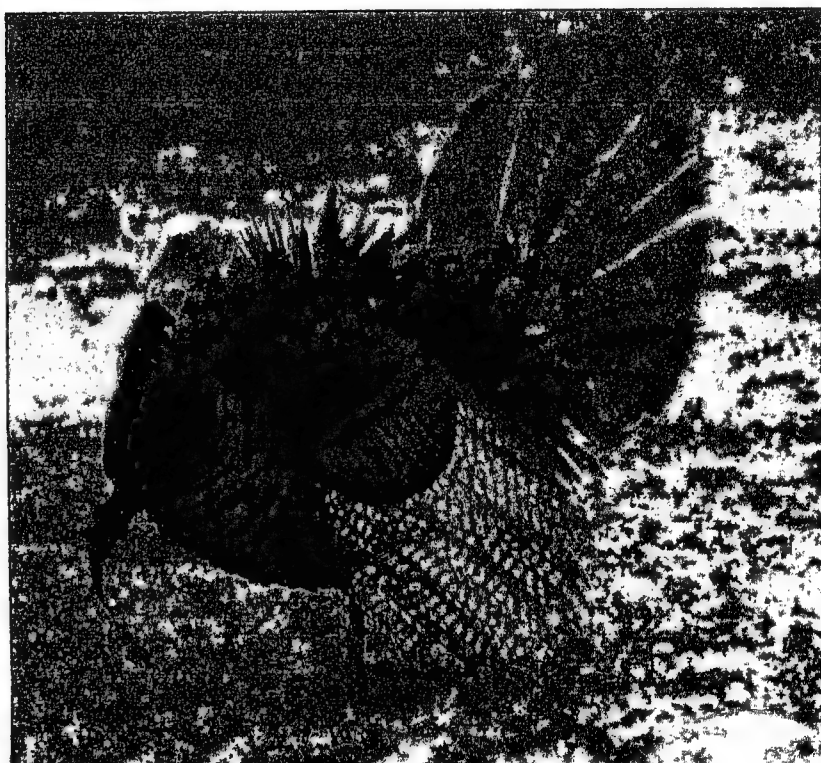
The snow-covered White Mountains, taken by Cathy Howe Hart from her Intervale Road home in Bethel, and a photo of the same mountains (left) taken at sunset.



A bear at Larry and Mary Davis' camp in Upton.



On March 17 Mrs. Newell's CPS kindergarten class visited the Goose Eye Farm in Newry, owned by Bruce and Suzanne Pierce, to participate in the making of maple syrup. The farm is home of Hannah Pierce, who is in Mrs. Newell's class. The class went into the woods and collected sap in a bucket and brought it back to the sap house. The sap was poured into the sap holding tank. The class learned about how the sap becomes syrup by boiling the water out of the sap. The children also visited with the farm animals and were treated to ice cream drizzled with fresh maple syrup.



A Thanksgiving bird appeared in Bob Laux' yard on St. Patrick's Day.



Michael Brooks, the son of Doug and Susan Brooks of Benton, is a musical throwback. A freshman at Patrick Henry College in Purcellville, Va., he is a guitarist in the newly-formed Franklin Park Big Band, an amalgam of musicians young and old, from the local community. Members range in age from school students to senior citizens, some of whom have resumed playing their instruments after having put them aside for years. The creation and existence of Michael's group is not unlike the make-up of the Bethel community's Mahoosuc Music Makers, with whom Michael's grandpa, Don Brooks, plays the trombone. Both musical aggregations show how real community involvement can occur, and how strong ties are made.



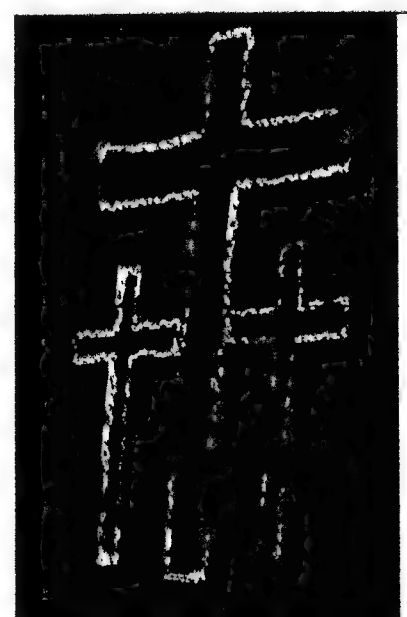
A wintry tree at Sudbury Village. (M. Harrington)



A gathering of the Tim DeRouche/Anita Naworski family and friends on Roxbury Pond.



Four Generations: Jane Lowe Ryerson, Boston Ludden, Monica Rolfe Ludden, Ramona Lowe Grover.



The latest "barn art" on South Main Street in Andover is an Easter observance.

## PLEASE SEND US YOUR PHOTOS

The Citizen is seeking photos for our monthly Community Snapshots Page. We plan to include as many as space permits, so please send your favorite shots along. The best way is by e-mail, to [news@bethelcitizen.com](mailto:news@bethelcitizen.com) (please put "Community snaps" in the subject line). You may also send prints to The Bethel Citizen, P.O. Box 109, Bethel, 04217, or bring them to our office at 19 Main Street (behind the Bethel Town Office). Please include a brief description of the activities/persons pictured, as well as your name and telephone number in case of questions.

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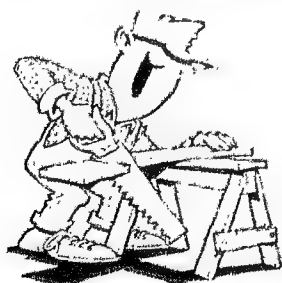
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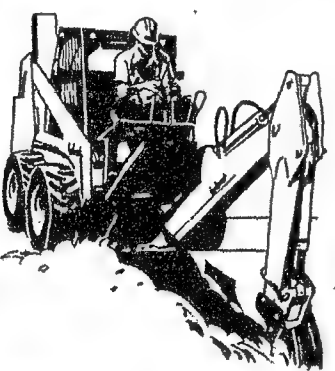
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**LUNNEY INDUCTED INTO HONOR SOCIETY**—Tara Lunney was recently inducted to the Beta Beta Beta Honor Society at Chowan University in Murfreesborough, N.C. A Telstar High School graduate, she is a junior studying to be a dentist. The society recognizes science achievement. In the picture, Tara is second from the right.

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sionals and community members.

Amanda Huotari is directing the Oxford Hills production. She is an actress, teaching artist, and the executive director of Celebration Barn Theater in South Paris. The cast includes local teens and women with a passion to raise awareness to end sexual violence against women and girls and to celebrate being female. The monologues are based on Eve's interviews with hundreds of women around the world. They have been translated into 45 languages and performed in over 130 countries.

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Traditionally, REACH has hosted a "Speak Out," during April, Sexual Assault Awareness Month. This gives survivors of sexual assault an opportunity to read or dis-

play their writings and artwork which are part of their recovery process. This year, The Vagina Monologues will be REACH's Speak Out, and survivors are welcome to provide REACH with writings and artwork for displays to accompany the play.

Men, women and older teens are welcome to attend The Vagina Monologues. Tickets can be purchased at Books N Things, 430 Main Street, Norway, Books N Things, 130 Main Street, Bethel, and the REACH office, 1 E. Main Street, South Paris. Advance tickets are \$12, tickets purchased at the door are \$15. Advance ticket holders will receive choice of a teal wristband or pin at the door.

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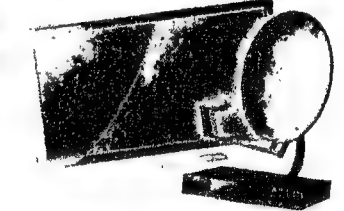
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# REAL ESTATE CONNECTION

## An improved landscape can increase property value...

With the housing market continuing its sluggish ways, many homeowners, who were once hoping to sell, are now planning to stay – at least for a few more years. As a result, many people are looking for ways to make improvements now that will increase their home's value, without breaking the budget.

There are a lot of simple improvements that can be made inside a home. A fresh coat of paint, new curtains or blinds, cleaning the carpets and installing new light fixtures are just a few ways to spruce things up.

However, updating your landscaping and making better use of your outdoor space can have a dramatic impact, too. In fact, according to the American Nursery & Landscape Association, an improved landscape can increase property value by 7 to 14 percent. The association's study also revealed that such improvements could help accelerate the sale of a home by several weeks.

One of the best ways to enhance your landscape and the visual appeal is to install a water feature, such as a fish or wildlife pond. Ponds create instant beauty and provide a relaxing, eco-friendly environment for everyone to enjoy.

### Add Water, Add Value

"Whether you are planning to stay in your home for several more years or are thinking of selling soon, adding a water feature is a great way to make your home stand out from others," said Bill Johnson, technical field engineer for Firestone Specialty Products.

While garden ponds that hold exotic fish, such as koi, are fairly common, there is growing interest in ponds that attract native wildlife. Like any other home project, building a wildlife pond can be as simple or complex as you want. There are options for nearly every budget.

"Today, homeowners are paying more attention to the link between indoors and outdoors," Johnson added. "Installing a wildlife pond is an excellent way to attract native and migratory birds, various reptiles and amphibians, and other wildlife."

Unlike most fish ponds, wildlife ponds may be shallower and have varying depths. These ponds are living ecosystems that benefit the environment. And the wildlife they attract can help control mosquitoes in the surrounding area.



### Creating Your Wildlife Pond

The size, location and lining material used to build your wildlife pond are among the most important considerations you need to make. Choose a size that complements the rest of your landscape and fits well within your yard.

Wildlife ponds need plenty of sunlight, so avoid locations close to large shade trees that will drop a lot of leaves into the pond during the fall. Look for a relatively flat site where you can add different depth levels and gentle slopes. Pick a site that is easily viewed from as much of your home as possible. Choosing and installing the liner

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To create a habitat for smaller wildlife and allow animals to get in and out easily, your pond should have shallow edges. Deeper depths should be toward the center, which is also a good place for a few logs or large rocks to serve as perches for birds and shelter for small visitors.

Place a layer of fine sand or use a synthetic underlayment fabric throughout the excavated area. Then, place the rubber liner in the hole and fill with water, using rocks and stones around the edges to secure it in place.

Plant life is an important element to attract wildlife. Aquatic plants come in four general categories: submerged, marginal (grow on pond edges), emergent (root to the pond bottom) and floating. The best plant options are native species of aquatic plants, rather than tropical plants. Be sure all chlorine is removed from the water before adding plant life. Your local nursery is a good resource for plant information.

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DAVID J. GAUDREAU CONSTRUCTION—With nearly 30-years experience in the greater Bethel area, David J. Gaudreau Construction is ready to tackle any building job, from interior remodeling and custom-trim projects, to start-to-finish construction of new homes and office buildings. Here Gaudreau, right, and his crew take a break on the deck of the firm's latest project (as subcontractor to Savage Contracting): a new home (with views of the slopes of Sunday River) being built off the Osgood Road in Bethel. Shown here with Gaudreau are, from left, Mike Pialock, Jeff Chapman, Jim Grover, Dave Marin and Matt Lawrence. (Photo: M. Daniels)

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## As Spring Arrives, So Do Home-Repair Scams

Home-improvement rip-offs always spike upward in the spring, largely because shoddy repairs won't be discovered by homeowners until the weather turns bad again.

**Dear Mr. Myers:** A man who knocked on my door yesterday said that he is a contractor who just finished a roofing job in the area and that he had some leftover tar, tile and other material from the job that he could not return to his supplier for a refund. He said he noticed that my roof had several worn spots (which it does), and that he could make the repairs using his unused material for a price that's about half the cost of the two separate bids I got for the needed work a few months ago. He says his offer is good only until next weekend, because he has to begin a major remodeling a few days later. Are these types of offers legitimate, or are they scams?

**Answer:** Some legitimate contractors will indeed cut their prices if they have unused material from a recent job, or if their business is simply slow. But many other offers like these come from con artists, who use similar tactics to dupe homeowners into shoddy or unnecessary repairs.

Home-repair and home-improvement scams always blossom in the spring, the Federal Trade Commission says, in part because the lousy work that the con men do often cannot be discovered until the weather turns bad again. For example, if you signed a contract today to fix a leaky roof but the rain came pouring into your bedroom tomorrow, you would know that the contractor had done sub-par work and could take action against him immediately. But if it didn't rain or snow again until November, you wouldn't find out about the problem until months from now — and the fly-by-night contractor would be long gone.

Contractor crooks often target the elderly or those who don't speak English well, because many of them keep a lot of money at home (con men love to get paid in cash) or sometimes have trouble understanding the services or goods that they are purchasing. But even the savviest homeowners can fall for home-repair scams if they don't know the warning signs of a possible rip-off.

Officials at the FTC say homeowners should be particularly wary of people who go door-to-door offering roofing, paving or painting services. But regardless of which type of service they

say they can provide, don't even consider hiring them if they use hire-pressure sales tactics, demand upfront payment in cash or refuse to put an agreement in writing.

Also be extra cautious if the pitchman is driving a new car or truck, has out-of-state license plates or will only give you a toll-free number instead of a local one. Ask for the contractor's license number, and verify it with the state's Contractors License Board or similar regulatory agency. And never let any type of uninvited solicitor inside your front door. Some also are skilled thieves who may rob you, or simply "case" your home for valuables to determine whether it would be worthwhile to break in and burgle the house later.

**Dear Mr. Myers:** Is the cost of the fire-insurance policy on my home tax-deductible?

**Answer:** No. The Internal Revenue Service does not allow homeowners to deduct the cost of their fire or other hazard-insurance policies for their personal residence, but owners of a rental property can write off the cost as part of their "operating expenses."

**Dear Mr. Myers:** I have signed an agreement to buy my first home, and followed your previous advice to make the offer contingent on getting a satisfactory report from a professional home inspector. The report says that the home appears to be structurally sound, but that I should have it looked at by a "qualified pest inspector." Shouldn't this have been included in the first inspection?

**Answer:** No. The job of general home inspectors is to examine a property's overall physical condition and to identify the need for any major repairs. They don't specifically look for damage that may be caused by termites or other wood-destroying pests, but instead leave the work to specialists — sort of like a general medical doctor would refer a patient with a unique problem to a specialist in the field.

Damage caused by termites or other pests can be very difficult to detect and extremely expensive to repair. That's why most lenders won't approve a loan until the property has been reviewed by a certified pest-inspection specialist. Ordering the separate report will likely cost around \$100 or \$200, but that's a small price to pay if it allows you to avoid purchasing a house with hidden problems that eventually could cost thousands of dollars to fix.

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2. The Playground Area, across from the Beach on Lakeside Drive
3. The Boat Landing Area at the foot of Lake Christopher.
4. The Recreation Building on Railroad Street. (From the brook to the old railroad crossing)

Maintenance to include spring clean-up, mowing all grass area at least once per week during the ball playing season and keeping the infield areas free of weeds.

These may be bid as a package or by each item listed. Bids are due and will be opened on April 20, 2010 at 5:00 at the Selectmen's Meeting.

For further information you may contact the Town office at 665-2668. Minimum liability insurance is required.

The Board does reserve the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids.

## STATE OF MAINE

OXFORD, ss

JORDAN GRAND CONDOMINIUM

OWNERS ASSOCIATION,

Plaintiff

v.

JAMES E. THOMPSON,

Defendant

On the Motion of the Plaintiff for service upon the Defendant in this action by publication, this Court finds that this is an action by the Plaintiff against the Defendant for foreclosure by civil action of a condominium association lien on real property owned by the Defendant in the Town of Newry in the County of Oxford and the State of Maine, being the same premises conveyed to the Defendant by Warranty Deed dated January 31, 2001, which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 2913, Page 113, that said action may affect the Defendant's ownership of said real property and may result in a deficiency judgment against the Defendant, and that the Defendant cannot, with due diligence, be located or served by any other prescribed method of service.

It is therefore, ORDERED that the Plaintiff may make service by publication upon the Defendant in accordance with the provisions of Rule 4 (d) (1) and (g) of the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure.

TO THE Defendant:

The Plaintiff has begun a lawsuit against you in the District Court which holds sessions at Rumford in Oxford County. If you wish to oppose this lawsuit, you or your attorney must prepare and file a written Answer to the Complaint within 20 days after the date of final publication of this Order. You or your attorney must file your Answer by delivering it in person or by mail to the office of the Clerk of the District Court at 145 Congress Street, Rumford, Maine 04276. On or before the day you file your Answer, you or your attorney must mail a copy of your Answer to the Attorney for the Plaintiff as follows:

John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq.

23 Market Square

South Paris, Maine 04281

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IMPORTANT WARNING: IF FAIL TO ANSWER WITHIN THE TIME STATED ABOVE, OR IF, AFTER YOU FILE AN ANSWER, YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT ANY TIME THE COURT NOTICES YOU TO DO SO, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU IN YOUR ABSENCE FOR THE MONEY DAMAGES OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT. IF THIS OCCURS, YOUR EMPLOYER MAY BE ORDERED TO PAY PART OF YOUR WAGES TO THE PLAINTIFF OR YOUR PERSONAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING BANK ACCOUNTS, AND YOUR REAL ESTATE MAY BE TAKEN TO SATISFY THE JUDGMENT. IF YOU INTEND TO OPPOSE THIS LAWSUIT, DO NOT FAIL TO ANSWER WITHIN THE REQUIRED TIME.

If you believe the Plaintiff is not entitled to all or part of the claim set forth in the Complaint or if you believe you have a claim of your own against the Plaintiff, you should talk to a lawyer. If you feel you cannot afford to pay a fee to a lawyer, you may ask a Clerk of the District Court for information as to places where you may seek legal assistance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order be published in the Bethel Citizen, a weekly newspaper published at Bethel, Maine, once a week for three consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made within 20 days after the date of this Order, and that a copy of this Order be mailed to the Defendant at his last known address, to wit: 3 Paula Court, Morristown, New Jersey 07960, and P.O. Box 156, Urbana, Virginia 23175.

The Clerk is hereby ordered to incorporate this Order by reference in the docket for this case.

DATED: March 15, 2010

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DISTRICT ELEVEN

RUMFORD

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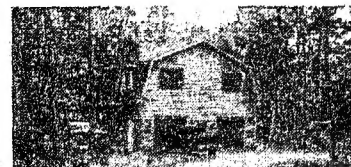
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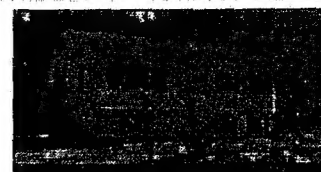
### NEW LISTING

**151 Deer View Road, Bethel:**  
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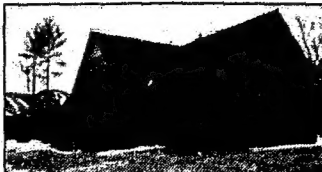
### NEW LISTING

**36 Summit St, Woodstock:**  
Updated 2-BR/2-bath farmhouse has a lovely country kitchen with a pantry & built-ins, a brand new shed/room, new tiled deck and attached barn. Updates include refinished wood floors, updated wiring, fresh paint inside and out, rebuilt chimney and newer septic system. \$137,900



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**6 Dumont Circle, Bethel:**  
4-BR/2.5-bath home featuring an open floor plan, laundry/mudroom, a study with wood-burning fireplace & brick hearth, large master suite, beautifully built farmer's porch, spacious yard with established gardens and 2-car attached garage. \$259,000



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**19 Mills Hill Road, Newry:**  
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## Land

**NEW PRICE 99 Douglass Rd, Powder Ridge:** This extremely private lot is nestled into the pines with a babbling brook crossings the edge of the property line. Some of the best views of Sunday River's slopes. \$89,000

**Lot 5 Hickory Drive, Woodstock:** Oak Hill II - 1.2 acres with lake and mountain views. Close to ski areas and area lakes and ponds. Soil tested and surveyed with power at the street. \$59,900

**East Bethel Rd, Bethel:** Nice level building lot with beautiful meadow and mountain views. Located on a town-maintained, paved road. Soil tested and surveyed. 2.24 acres. \$49,000

**Lot 11, Mahoosuc Glen:** The largest available parcel at Mahoosuc Glen, this 1.8-acre lot offers great flexibility for building the perfect vacation home. The owner will also discuss a building package with a discounted rate on the land. \$112,000

**Sunday River Rd:** Prime 6.81-acre parcel of land just a mile to the base lodges. Approved subdivision for 7 residential building envelopes. Engineering plans are available. \$234,000. Other options include purchasing lots of 1.24 acres (\$89,000) and 5.57 acres (\$149,000).

## Tax Credit for Home Buyers

As part of its plan to stimulate the U.S. housing market and address the economic challenges facing our nation, Congress has passed new legislation that:

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STATE OF MAINE  
OXFORD, ss  
JORDAN GRAND CONDOMINIUM OWNERS ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff  
v.  
JAMES E. THOMPSON, Defendant

On the Motion of the Plaintiff for service upon the Defendant in this action by publication, this Court finds that this is an action by the Plaintiff against the Defendant for foreclosure by civil action of a condominium association lien on real property owned by the Defendant in the Town of Newry in the County of Oxford and the State of Maine, being the same premises conveyed to the Defendant by Warranty Deed dated September 24, 2001, which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 3034, Page 336, that said action may affect the Defendant's ownership of said real property and may result in a deficiency judgment against the Defendant, and that the Defendant cannot, with due diligence, be located or served by any other prescribed method of service.

It is therefore, ORDERED that the Plaintiff may make service by publication upon the Defendant in accordance with the provisions of Rule 4 (d) (1) and (g) of the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure.

TO THE Defendant:

The Plaintiff has begun a lawsuit against you in the District Court which holds sessions at Rumford in Oxford County. If you wish to oppose this lawsuit, you or your attorney must prepare and file a written Answer to the Complaint within 20 days after the date of final publication of this Order. You or your attorney must file your Answer by delivering it in person or by mail to the office of the Clerk of the District Court at 145 Congress Street, Rumford, Maine 04276. On or before the day you file your Answer, you or your attorney must mail a copy of your Answer to the Attorney for the Plaintiff as follows:

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If you believe the Plaintiff is not entitled to all or part of the claim set forth in the Complaint or if you believe you have a claim of your own against the Plaintiff, you should talk to a lawyer. If you feel you cannot afford to pay a fee to a lawyer, you may ask a Clerk of the District Court for information as to places where you may seek legal assistance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order be published in the Bethel Citizen, a weekly newspaper published at Bethel, Maine, once a week for three consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made within 20 days after the date of this Order, and that a copy of this Order be mailed to the Defendant at his last known address, to wit: 3 Paula Court, Morristown, New Jersey 07960, and P.O. Box 156, Urbanna, Virginia 23175.

The Clerk is hereby ordered to incorporate this Order by reference in the docket for this case.

DATED: March 15, 2010 Daniel J. Driscoll, Judge, District Court

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**Solid in-town 3-4 BR, hardwood floors, loads of potential, close to everything. \$119,000**



**Rt 2 frontage over 1000 ft, with 6.6 acres, brook borders the property, post & beam construction. \$125,000**



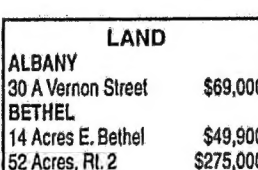
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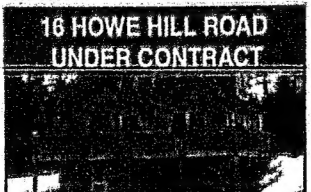
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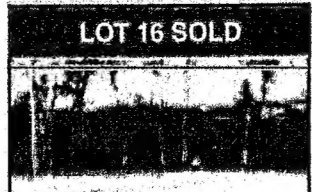
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**Beautiful 2007 Log Sided Chalet** Located in Johnson Park, Bethel Open Concept Floor Plan includes 6 rooms - 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, FR, finished lower level, covered porch. Only minutes to area recreations. \$229,900

**Lake Front! Howard Pond Camp** Adorable waterfront camp nestled upon picturesque Howard Pond! Only \$199,000!

**South Pond Shores Waterfront** Wonderful 5+ acre waterfront lot in protective cove. 12x20 storage building & use of beautiful beach. \$149,900

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**Modern Home!** An absolutely breathtaking locale enveloped with lush mt. vistas & glorious foliage on 4.5 acres nicely enhances the beauty of this spacious 2007 modern home with in-law apt. Many extras, many details. \$325,000

**Value Priced Home!** What a wonderful place for a first time home buyer or ambitious handyman. Ever so close to all area amenities! Only \$69,900

**Great New Price! Riverbend #5** Located right off the Sunday River Rd, en route to Sunday River Ski Resort, as well as area snowmobiling, area restaurants, taverns & shops. This 2 BR, 2 BA post & beam condominium is priced to sell! Only \$159,900

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148 1 BR \$25,000  
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337 2 BR \$28,000  
162/164 STUDIO + 1 BR \$29,900  
352/354 1 BR + 1 BR \$34,900  
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**Jerry K's Korner on the Market!** (An 8-legged perspective on Real Estate & Life)

So, Ben, can you believe how busy real estate activity has been lately?

You're right Jerry, it seems as though consumer confidence is resurfacing. People are looking at all sorts of properties ... ski-in-ski-out condos, waterfronts, land parcels, log sided chalets, luxury town homes ... The list goes on and on.

Well Ben, it is a great time to buy property, as the purchase prices are unbelievably reasonable with ever so competitive interest rates available through local lenders. Sellers can also take advantage of this phenomena when re-investing in the real estate market. All in all, it seems to be a win/win situation for consumers!

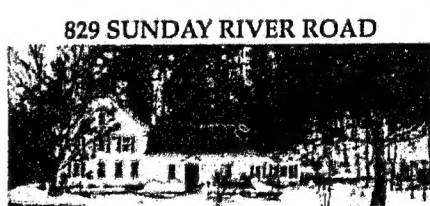
You Know Jerry, times like this makes me proud to be of the poodle persuasion ... we're wicked smart, for sure!!!

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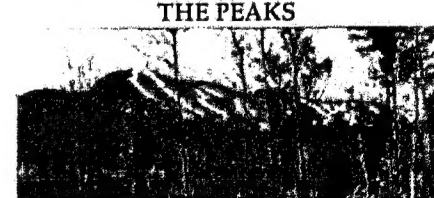
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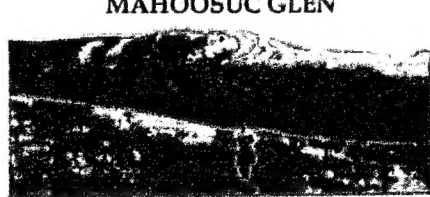
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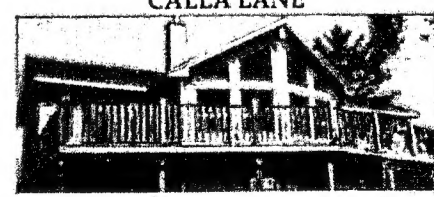
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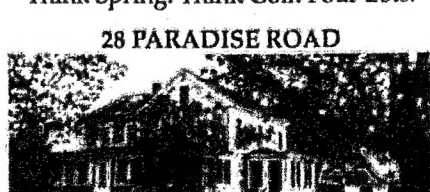
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# Obituaries



**RICHARD B. RASER, JR.**

On March 30, 2010 Richard Drew Raser, Jr. of Larchmont, N.Y., passed away suddenly at the age of 48.

Rich was raised in Garden City, N.Y., and graduated from Garden City High School in 1980. He received his BA from University of Richmond, home of his beloved "Spiders." Rich had a successful career in advertising sales at Crain's New York Business, Times Mirror Magazine, and most recently at North American Media Group.

Above all, Rich was a wonderful and loving husband and father. His greatest joy was spending time with his family at the Larchmont Yacht Club, on the beach at Watersedge on Nassau Point, and at The Bethel Inn. Rich was a warm, generous spirit, who loved to golf, ski and laugh with his many wonderful friends. We greatly mourn his loss, and his

memory will live on through all of us. He was taken from us far too soon.

He leaves behind his wife and best friend, Kathleen Brustman Raser; his beloved children, Drew, 13, Ryan, 12, Katie, 9, and Robbie, 6. He is also survived by his parents, Kewie Stutzmann, Richard and Gretchen Raser, and predeceased by Fred Stutzmann. He is mourned by sisters, Kerry Raser, Missy Hantz, Lorrie Stutzmann, Heidi Perry, and brother, Carter Davidson. He leaves behind 11 nieces and nephews and many devoted friends and family members.

Funeral Mass was held at Saint Augustine's Roman Catholic Church, 18 Cherry Avenue, Larchmont, N.Y., on Tuesday, April 6, 2010.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Raser Family Trust 2010 in care of The Golden Shoestring (Junior League of Westchester on the Sound), 149 Larchmont Avenue, Larchmont, NY 10538.

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## BARBARA L. FREEMAN

Barbara Lord Freeman, 81, died March 31, 2010 at Gosnell Memorial Hospice House in Scarborough.

Born on March 22, 1929, in Portland, Maine she was the daughter of Laurence F. Lord and Christine (Billings) Lord. She attended school in Cape Elizabeth, as well as in Lubbock, Texas, and Colorado Springs, Colo., before returning to Portland and graduating from Waynflete School, Class of 1948. She went on to graduate from Westbrook Junior College, Class of 1950, and worked as an X-ray technician at Maine General Hospital, Portland, now Maine Medical Center.

In 1952, Barbara married Eben W. Freeman II and later settled in the Stroudwater neighborhood of Portland where they raised their family. They resided in Portland until Ben's retirement from the Research Lab at S.D. Warren in the early 1990s when they moved to Bethel and subsequently to The Atrium on Ocean Avenue, back "home" in Portland. Barbara was predeceased by her husband, who died in January of 2009.

Barbara gained her greatest joy from raising her four children in their Stroudwater home, at the family summer camp on Lindsay Island in Sebago Lake Basin and eventually to their 1860s farmhouse/ski retreat along the banks of the Androscoggin River in Bethel, a restoration project undertaken by the entire family.

As grandchildren joined her brood, she continued to create an atmosphere of warmth and family spirit supplying numerous knitted sweaters along with creative

and abundant meals to nourish her active and growing family. While Stroudwater was "home base," each winter weekend and school vacation found Barbara preparing and packing for their time in Bethel, often entertaining additional family and friends with her gracious manner and great culinary skill. Each summer, as the end of another school year approached, Barbara packed again, this time for Sebago Basin where her family became part of the special "island family" that was so close to her heart. As at the farmhouse, the island became an idyllic retreat for family and friends, complete with muffins brimming with native harvested blueberries, until Labor Day when her family returned to Portland for another school year.

Barbara and Ben also enjoyed traveling to various parts of the United States, often in the company of close friends from Ben's Maine Maritime Academy class.

Over many years, Barbara served as a volunteer and/or board member with several Portland area organizations including the Eunice Frye Home, Junior League of Portland, the Women's Board of Maine Medical Center, Maine Medical Center Coffee Shop, Longfellow School Library and also the Chamber of Commerce in Bethel. Barbara and Ben were also active with the Foster Grandparent Program in the greater Portland area.

Survivors include four children: Suzanne F. Atwood and her husband, Robert "Rusty" Atwood of Gorham, Deborah Freeman and her husband Gregory Sweetser of Cumberland Center, John Freeman and his wife Johnna Haskell of Carrabassett Valley, and

Elizabeth F. "Betsy" Doyon and her husband Dennis Doyon of Bethel.

Also surviving are five grandchildren: Christine E. Atwood of Boston, Mass., Timothy E. Atwood of North Bridgton, Joel L. Doyon and his wife Kathleen Doyon of Waltham, Mass., Samuel B. Sweetser of Park City, Utah, and Eben W. Sweetser of Cumberland Center. In November of last year, Barbara was blessed with a great-grandchild, Gabriella Louise Doyon.

Other family members include Audrey F. Gough of Falmouth, Maynard W. Dow of Bristol, N.H., Rev. J. Thomas Gough III and his wife Kitty of Chicago, Ill., Miriam Gough and her husband Timothy Reardon of Portland, Nathan Dow of Boston, Mass., and Jenny Little Dow of Camden.

A sister, Joanne L. Denny of Richmond, Mass., died previously.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 10, 2010, at Jones, Rich and Hutchins Funeral Home, 199 Woodfords Street, Portland, with the Reverend Phil Shearman officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to Hospice of Southern Maine, Gosnell Memorial Hospice House, 180 U.S. Route One #1, Scarborough, Maine 04074.

## MARCIA E. BUCK

Marcia E. Buck, 87, of South Paris died Friday, April 2, 2010 at Ledgeview Living Center in West Paris.

She was born in South Paris on June 18, 1922, the daughter of Percy and Evangeline (Woodworth) Turner.

Marcia married Edwin Buck on Sept. 28, 1942.

She served as Clerk of Courts in South Paris for many years until her retirement.

She enjoyed working in her gardens, line dancing, traveling, snowmobiling, and most of all loved and enjoyed her family. Marcia also enjoyed being a member of the Sunshine club at the Universalist Church in South Paris.

She is survived by her sons, Sherwin and his wife Kathy, and Warren, both of South Paris; two sisters, Frances Johnson of South Paris, and Mary and her husband Clifford Parsons; two brothers, Donald and his wife Faye, and Robert Turner; grandchildren, Penny Blake, Shari Corriveau, Danielle Taylor and Cally Davis; and great-grandchildren, Frank Davis and Rachel Davis, Alexis Kennedy and McKenzie Blake.

She was predeceased by her husband, Edwin; a son, Allen; granddaughter, Sara; daughter-in-law, Brenda; a sister, Glenna Gay; and brothers, Richard and Franklin.

Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, April 7, at Oxford Hills Funeral Services, Oxford, with Marilyn Hammond officiating. Interment followed at the Riverside Annex Cemetery in South Paris. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be sent to the American Heart Association, 51 US Route 1, Suite, ME, Scarborough, ME 04072. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.oxfordhillsfuneralservices.com](http://www.oxfordhillsfuneralservices.com).

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Special thanks to Mike, Gail, and Patsy for making all the calls and taking many new ages.  
Thanks to all the family that came to be with me that day. To Dawn, Deb & Alk, thanks a million for staying with me during those rough first days.  
The cards, flowers, calls, visits, and monetary donations were greatly appreciated.  
The town has lost many special people in the past few weeks. They will all be greatly missed.  
Again, Many Thanks,  
Sheila Dave & Family

**Thank You**  
I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to my family and friends for the get-well cards, phone calls, prayers, visitors, flowers and the "Bulgogi". Special thanks and love to my wonderful "skullery" maid who took over the household reins willingly and good naturedly.  
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All area fire departments  
Wayne Hakala - Locke Mills Legion  
All donations of food and raffle items.  
Friends and family for being there always.  
There are no words to express our gratitude for all you've done.  
Thank you so much,  
Jim & Nancy Young

**Thank You**  
Are two small words with a really big job. We can't say them enough. Your support has been what has kept us going.  
Peter is now at New England Rehab Hospital in Portland. This is "boot camp re-lived" but just what he needs. There are gains every day.  
He loves cards, so if anyone cares to they can send to P.O. Box 73, Hanover, ME 04237. I will get them to him.  
Thank you again for all the prayers, calls, and love sent. We appreciate them more than you know.  
*Peter and Darlene Jessica, Ron, Cody and Morgan, Heather, Dan & Erin*

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